

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PENINSULA PARTNERSHIP LEADERSHIP
COUNCIL BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF SAN MATEO
COUNTY**

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council, which is made up of leaders from multiple disciplines throughout San Mateo County, has a mission to formulate policies that effectively address the needs and foster the healthy development of children, youth and families in San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council believes that all children and youth have rights to live in a just, moral, and supportive society; all children and youth have the same rights, regardless of their culture, race, gender or gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, or disability; and all children and youth have the right to a better world than the one they inherited; and

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council has drafted the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County to draw the attention of all County and local agencies, parents, guardians, and private enterprises throughout the county and to provide them guidance in their decision making in order to foster the needs and healthy development of all

children, youth, and families in the County; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors desires that every child and youth should have the opportunities set forth in the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors adopts the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County (Attachment A) as a guideline for all County and local agencies, parents, guardians, communities, and private enterprises; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors with the adoption of this resolution supports and encourages all County and local agencies to adopt, publicize, and facilitate the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County into programs and activities for the benefit of our youth.

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Attachment A:

Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County

Be it Resolved, we resolve to invest in all children and youth so that:

- They have a healthy mind, body, and spirit that enable them to maximize their potential.
- They develop a healthy attachment to a parent, guardian, or caregiver and an ongoing relationship with a caring and supportive adult.
- Their essential needs are met—nutritious food, shelter, clothing, health care, and accessible transportation.
- They have a safe and healthy environment, including homes, schools, neighborhoods, and communities.
- They have access to a 21st century education that promotes success in life, in future careers and a love of life-long learning.
- They have training in life-skills that will prepare them to live independently, be self-sufficient, and contribute to their community.
- They have employment opportunities with protections from unfair labor practices.
- They have freedom from mistreatment, abuse and neglect.
- They have a voice in matters that affect them.
- They have a sense of hope for their future.