

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILPITAS REQUESTING MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL ACT ON THE ISSUE OF TERRITORIAL RIGHTS IN THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Milpitas would reap significant economic benefit and development by the relocation of the Major League Baseball franchise known as the Athletics, currently located in Oakland, California, to the City of San Jose in Santa Clara County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Athletics have identified the City of San Jose as their principal choice for their new location; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed site is immediately accessible by multiple transportation options, including bus, lightrail, CalTrain, and soon, High Speed Rail and BART; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Santa Clara’s rights of self-determination, autonomy and independence in entering into a relationship with a Major League sports team are being compromised through an arbitrary decision over which it has no control; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Athletics were gracious and cooperative in 1992 when asked to agree with the assignment of the territory for a new Giants stadium that was never built; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Santa Clara is one of two primary economic markets in Northern California and includes San Jose, which is the largest city in the region and third largest city in California; and

**WHEREAS**, Major League Baseball has convened a blue ribbon panel of stadium experts to determine the best possible location for the Athletics, including sites in the County of Santa Clara.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Milpitas hereby requests that Major League Baseball, with whatever means possible and appropriate, eliminate the San Francisco Giants’ exclusivity rights within Santa Clara County and bring the Giants to San Jose.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Mary Lavelle, City Clerk

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Robert Livengood, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Michael J. Ogaz, City Attorney