

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

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILPITAS  
IN SUPPORT OF THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
LIBRARY DISTRICT SPECIAL TAX MEASURE**

**WHEREAS**, a Santa Clara County Library District Community Facilities District Special Tax Measure will appear on an August 27, 2013 mail ballot in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, voter-approved taxpayer funding for our local library has been in place for the past twenty years and is due to expire; and

**WHEREAS**, continuing this funding at existing rates does not increase taxes and will help the Milpitas Library maintain essential library services that students, seniors and other members of our community rely on, including story times for children and families, summer reading programs, homework help and school curriculum support, literacy assistance, income tax assistance and computer skills tutoring for adults, as well as bookmobile service, up-to-date book collections and research materials, and maintenance of library hours; and

**WHEREAS**, every dollar from these voter-approved revenues raised within Milpitas will go directly for the benefit and operation of our local library; and

**WHEREAS**, voter-approved tax revenues can provide a stable, predictable source of local funding and allow local voters to make investments in their community libraries and the education of our children; and

**WHEREAS**, as school libraries may face reduced operating hours, maintaining access for students to public libraries is essential for continuing quality education in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, many seniors on fixed incomes rely on public libraries as buying books is simply too expensive, while this funding helps maintain our library services upon which the senior citizens rely; and

**WHEREAS**, without this funding, the Milpitas Library will be faced with implementing significant cuts to programs and services, including purchasing fewer books, reducing its ability to maintain up-to-date book collections and research materials, reducing or eliminating library programs for children, teens and seniors, and reducing its operating hours.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Milpitas hereby finds, determines, and resolves as follows:

1. the City Council supports the Santa Clara County Library District Community Facilities District Special Tax Measure on the August 27, 2013 mail ballot.
2. the City Council encourages all citizens concerned with lack of adequate financial resources for libraries to vote yes on the Measure.

3. the City Council authorizes the use of its name in support of the Measure.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2013, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Mary Lavelle, City Clerk

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Jose S. Esteves, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Michael J. Ogaz, City Attorney