RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 006

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ACTIONS TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN LOCAL DEMOCRACY, AUTHORITY, AND CONTROL AS RELATED TO LOCAL ZONING AND HOUSING ISSUES

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California each year proposes, passes, and has signed into law a number of bills addressing a range of housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California does not allow sufficient time between each legislative cycle to determine if the legislation is successful in bringing about the change for the State of California's housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these bills usurp the authority of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves the land use policies and practices that best suit each city and its residents and instead impose mandates that do not consider the needs and differences of jurisdictions throughout the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the ability of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves appropriate land uses which uphold the City's desire to maintain the existing character and fabric of the community, with projects requiring review beyond a ministerial approval; what plans and programs are suitable and practical for this community rather than having these decisions imposed upon cities without regard to the circumstances of each individual city; and what zoning should be allowed for residential properties is a matter of great import to the City of Morgan Hill among other items related to local zoning and housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill feels strongly that our local government is best able to assess the needs of our community and objects to the proliferation of State legislation that deprives us of that ability;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE, RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City of Morgan Hill is opposed to the current practice of the legislature of the State of California of continually proposing and passing multitudes of bills that directly impact and interfere with the ability of cities to control their own destiny through use of the zoning authority that has been granted to them.

<u>Section 2.</u> The City of Morgan Hill will explore various ways to protect the ability of cities to retain local control over zoning as each individual city within the State of California is best suited to determine how the zoning in their city should be allocated in order to meet the housing needs of the community.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill at its meeting held on this 3rd day of March 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Gino Borgioli, Rich Constantine,

Yvonne Martinez Beltran, John McKay, Rene Spring

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

None

APPROVED:

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Rich Constantine

RICH CONSTANTINE, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Bijelow

MICHELLE BIGELOW, City Clerk

& CERTIFICATION CS

I, Michelle Bigelow, City Clerk of the City of Morgan Hill, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 21-006, adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on March 3, 2021.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL.

	3/5/2021
DATE:	

Docusigned by:
Michelle Bijelow
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MICHELLE BIGELOW, City Clerk