IN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO CITY COUNCIL ENDORSING THE ALAMEDA COUNTY HOME TOGETHER 2026 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- **WHEREAS**, the Home Together 2026 Implementation Plan (Home Together 2026) is a community-wide plan for Alameda County which lays out the goals, strategies, and investments needed to dramatically reduce homelessness by 2026 and reverse racial disparities in homelessness through fully centering equity; and
- **WHEREAS,** on any given night over 8,000 people experience homelessness in Alameda County, a number that grows to approximately 15,000 people over the course of a year; and
- **WHEREAS,** more than 90% of the households in Alameda County are adults without children, including nearly 10% who are between the ages of 18 and 24; and
- WHEREAS, dramatic racial disparities exist in Alameda County as in the nation as a whole, and the homeless population does not reflect the demographics of the county; and
- WHEREAS, in Alameda County, African Americans experience homelessness at more than four times their representation in the population (47% vs. 11%); and
- WHEREAS, in Alameda County, Native Americans, multiracial people and Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islanders are all vastly overrepresented in homelessness, among those newly homeless and in the rates at which they return to homelessness even after getting into housing; and
- **WHEREAS,** Home Together 2026 builds and is informed by existing local and regional plans, including the 2020 Centering Racial Equity in Homeless System Design report (CRE), All Home Regional Action Plan, and Plan Bay Area 2050; and
- **WHEREAS,** Home Together 2026 is also responsive to requirements laid out in the California Comeback Plan necessary to receive critical State housing and health funding; and
- **WHEREAS**, the homeless system modeling conducted in 2019-2020 and updated in 2021 points to significant gaps in the current system in terms of both housing resources and program types; and
- WHEREAS, only an estimated 36% of those experiencing homelessness can be supported by the current system's resources or are able to find housing or leave homelessness on their own; and
- WHEREAS, without significant effort and investment including prevention, shelter expansion, increasing housing solutions, and strengthening the system's overall capacity, homelessness in Alameda County will continue to grow; and
- WHEREAS, the total estimated cost of needed investments over the coming five years to fully meet the need is \$2.5 billion, including approximately \$430 million for additional shelter, \$1.68 billion for permanent housing such as dedicated affordable

housing and permanent supportive housing, and \$388 million for prevention, rapid rehousing and shallow subsidies; and

WHEREAS, additional funding will be needed for the one-time development costs for new buildings; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the needed expansion level will take a significant investment of new resources; and

WHEREAS, there are anticipated increases in Federal and in State resources dedicated to expanding affordable housing and ending homelessness; and

WHEREAS, there is still a significant gap that will need to be filled locally; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive future funding made available through the County, Cities must endorse the Home Together 2026 plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of San Leandro does **RESOLVE** as follows:

That the City Council endorses the Alameda County Home Together 2026 Implementation Plan.
Introduced by and passed and adopted this 18 th day of April 2022, by the following vote:
Members of the Council:
AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ATTEST:
Kelly B. Clancy, Acting City Clerk