Resolution No. 2023-XXX N.C.S.
of the City of Petaluma, California

SUPPORTING SONOMA CLEAN POWER AND CYRQ ENERGY'S U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GRANT APPLICATION FOR A GEOTHERMAL ENERGY STORAGE PROJECT IN THE GEYSERS GEOTHERMAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE

WHEREAS, the City Council approved a Resolution 2021-007 N.C.S. on January 11, 2021, adopting of a Climate Emergency Framework; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Climate Emergency Framework contained goals of reducing vehicle greenhouse gas emissions and achieving carbon neutrality citywide by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the City of Petaluma subscribes to Sonoma Clean Power's EverGreen 100% renewable electricity program that produces nearly zero greenhouse emissions at the source of generation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Petaluma seeks to express its support for Sonoma Clean Power and Cyrq Energy's grant applications to secure funding for a geothermal energy storage pilot project in the Geysers Geothermal Opportunity Zone; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), which establishes the general rule for projects concerning which it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Petaluma as follows:

1. Finds the above recitals to be true and correct and are incorporated herein as findings of this Resolution.

2. Authorizes the City Council to sign the Letter of Support attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution.

Under the power and authority conferred upon this Council by the Charter of said City.

REFERENCE:	I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution was introduced and adopted by the Council of the City of Petaluma at a Regular meeting on the 27th day of February 2023, by the following vote:	Approved as to form:
		_____
		City Attorney

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST: _____ _____

City Clerk   Mayor