

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

**APPROVING ISSUANCE OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT
FOR ACA 13 (WARD) VOTING THRESHOLDS**

WHEREAS, ACA 13 (Ward), if approved, would align voting thresholds between placing a measure on the ballot and the approval of the measure; and

WHEREAS, ACA 13 authorizes local governing bodies to hold advisory votes concerning issues of governance so voters can voice opinions on those issues; and

WHEREAS, ACA 13 specifies that an advisory vote can be approved by majority vote, but are not controlling on the local governing body; and

WHEREAS, ACA 13 addresses the voting threshold disparity issue by causing any initiative that enhances a voter requirement to pass by that same voter requirement.

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

1. Find 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.
3. Authorizes City staff to distribute the signed Letter of Support, as appropriate.

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 11th day of September 2023, by the following vote:

Approved as to
form:

City Attorney

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor