

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE AUTHORIZING “FREE USE” FOR A MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE IN THE ROTUNDA AT CITY HALL ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2019 HOSTED BY THE SILICON VALLEY INTERRELIGIOUS COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 OFFICE

WHEREAS, in June 2016, the Council of the City of San José (“City”) adopted Schedule of Fees Resolution No. 77829 for the fees and charges for City Hall Facility Use; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 77829 authorizes the City Council, Redevelopment Agency Board, and City departments to have “Free Use” of the facilities for those events that 1) qualify as official City business; 2) are free and open to the public; 3) occur on a Sunday through Friday; and 4) are booked 30 days in advance; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 77829 does not apply to free use requests for Saturday events, and as such, City Council approval is required; and

WHEREAS, the Council District 2 Office has requested that “Free Use” be authorized for a Memorial Observance on Saturday, December 21, 2019, the winter solstice, to honor the houseless individuals who have died unsheltered on the streets of San José, bring awareness to the tragedy of homelessness, and build community support for compassionate solutions to the City’s homeless crisis; and

WHEREAS, this event is expected to significantly benefit the community if scheduled on a Saturday as it would accommodate the schedules of homeless advocates and non-profits who will be providing resources and information to homeless individuals as

well as community members who work full-time jobs during the week thus increasing the number of participants attending the event; and

WHEREAS, the Memorial Observance is hosted by the Silicon Valley Interreligious Council and the Council District 2 Office and is aligned with the City's objective to end homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that the Memorial Observance supports the City's mission to provide quality public services, facilities, and opportunities that create, sustain, and enhance a safe, livable, and vibrant community for its diverse residents, businesses, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to allow for the free use of the City Hall Rotunda and parking in the City Hall Garage and 4th Street Garage for the Memorial Observance on Saturday, December 21, 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE THAT:

The City Council hereby authorizes "Free Use" of the City Hall Rotunda and parking in the City Hall Garage and 4th Street Garage for the Memorial Observance on Saturday, December 21, 2019 to honor the houseless individuals who have died unsheltered on the streets of San José, bring awareness to the tragedy of homelessness, and build community support for compassionate solutions to the City's homeless crisis, hosted by the Silicon Valley Interreligious Council and the Council District 2 Office.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DISQUALIFIED:

SAM LICCARDO
Mayor

ATTEST:

TONI J. TABER, CMC
City Clerk