

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE CONDEMNING THE “UNITE THE RIGHT” RALLY ON AUGUST 11-12, 2017 IN CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA THAT RESULTED IN A TRAGIC FATALITY AND MANY INJURIES

WHEREAS, on the weekend of August 12, 2017, a rally dubbed “Unite the Right” in Charlottesville, Virginia, escalated into a violent encounter that took the life of Heather Heyer and left many severely injured; and

WHEREAS, the rally was attended by participants who were not only armed but donned symbols promoting anti-Semitism, discrimination, racism, and extreme nationalism; and

WHEREAS, the City of San José (“City”) remains steadfast in the constitutional right to free speech and to peacefully assemble, but it does not support any speech and activity that rises to the level of threats, harassment or violence; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of the City’s “Welcome San José” policy, the City strongly condemns all rhetoric that incites violence and creates an atmosphere of hate, racial bigotry, and discrimination in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is proud of its diversity and will continue to work towards ensuring that all activities occurring on public property promote inclusion and equality for all;

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

Condemns the “Unite the Right” rally on August 11-12, 2017 in Charlottesville, Virginia that resulted in a tragic fatality and many injuries.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DISQUALIFIED:

SAM LICCARDO
Mayor

ATTEST:

TONI J. TABER, CMC
City Clerk