

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-40

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SILICON VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY COMMENDING DIRECTOR CORTESE FOR HIS PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY CLEAN ENERGY IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY AND HIS DEDICATED SERVICE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SILICON VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (“SVCEA”) was formed on March 31, 2016, with eleven Cities and Towns and the County of Santa Clara deciding to become the initial members; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors appointed Dave Cortese as its representative on the Board of Directors of SVCEA; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese guided sound financial policy which led to obtaining the first SVCEA credit rating; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese championed clean energy at the state level, through the State Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese supported regional clean energy communication efforts; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese helped SVCEA advance its legislative priorities by reaching out to his elected contacts in Sacramento during the legislative session and also during the critical last days of legislative sessions to advocate for SVCEA’s legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese directed SVCEA to establish the ground-breaking Decarbonization Strategy and Programs Roadmap, adopting strategic plans to reduce not only electricity emissions but also emissions associated with buildings and transportation; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese guided SVCEA to establish the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Joint Action Plan, increasing accessibility of electric vehicle chargers throughout Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese supported SVCEA’s Building Decarbonization Joint Action Plan, which defines strategies to reduce building emissions; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese committed SVCEA to over \$1 billion in long-term contracts for solar-plus-storage and geothermal power, securing new renewable energy projects and reliability for SVCEA customers; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese played a leadership role in having the County of Santa Clara investigate reach codes; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese supported the funding of innovative pilot projects to address local emissions; and

WHEREAS, Director Cortese directed SVCEA to provide carbon-free electricity resulting in a 24% reduction in overall community emissions since 2015; and

WHEREAS, while serving on the board of SVCEA, Director Cortese supported electricity rates that saved Unincorporated Santa Clara customers more than \$6 million on their energy bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of SVCEA hereby commends Director Dave Cortese and expresses its sincere appreciation for his promotion of Community Choice Energy in Santa Clara County and his dedicated service as a member of the Board of Directors of the Authority.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 9th day of December 2020, by the following vote:

JURISDICTION	NAME	AYE	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
City of Campbell	Director Gibbons	✓			
City of Cupertino	Alternate Director Willey	✓			
City of Gilroy	Director Tovar				✓
City of Los Altos	Director Fligor	✓			
Town of Los Altos Hills	Director Tyson	✓			
Town of Los Gatos	Director Rennie	✓			
City of Milpitas	Director Montano				✓
City of Monte Sereno	Director Ellahie	✓			
City of Morgan Hill	Alternate Director Eulo	✓			
City of Mountain View	Director Abe-Koga	✓			
County of Santa Clara	Director Ellenberg	✓			
City of Saratoga	Director Miller	✓			
City of Sunnyvale	Director Smith	✓			

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Howard A Miller

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Andrea Pizano

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Secretary