

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of
duly seconded by
the following resolution is adopted

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 68, THE CALIFORNIA DROUGHT,
WATER, PARKS, CLIMATE, COASTAL PROTECTION, AND OUTDOOR ACCESS
FOR ALL ACT OF 2018

WHEREAS, last fall, the Legislature adopted and the Governor signed Senate Bill 5 (SB 5), a \$4 Billion General Obligation Bond to be placed on the June 2018 ballot entitled the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018, or Proposition 68; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 represents the first legislatively authorized debt instrument for parks, resources and environmental improvements since 2002; and

WHEREAS, investments in California's urban, suburban and rural park and resources-related landscapes promote the notion of community and provide health, environmental and aesthetic benefits; and

WHEREAS, Santa Cruz County residents as well as every resident in the state will benefit from the passage of this bond through a per capita allocation of at least \$200,000 for our parks; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 includes \$200 million in per capita funding to assist all of California's communities in underwriting priority park-related improvements; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 includes \$200 million on California's State Park system, addressing a greater than \$1 billion backlog in deferred maintenance which will translate into greater tourism and visitor opportunities in adjacent communities; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 invests \$30 million in trail network improvements promoting non-motorized recreational and commuter opportunities throughout the state

WHEREAS, SB 5 includes hundreds of millions on other important investments in resource-related infrastructure including California's rivers, coast, and other waterways; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 invests hundreds of millions toward combatting global warming through investments in urban greening projects, promoting healthy forests and carbon farming applications; and

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WHEREAS, passage of this bond would provide new opportunities for the County of Santa Cruz to obtain much needed additional resources for our Parks, Water and Climate Action programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors does hereby support SB 5, the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 and any subsequent iteration titled otherwise by the Secretary of State that is scheduled to appear on the June 2018 statewide ballot.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this ____ day of FEBRUARY, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISOR
NOES: SUPERVISOR
ABSENT: SUPERVISOR

ZACH FRIEND, CHAIR
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:



County Counsel

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