

**Resolution in Support of Enacting Policies and Programs to Achieve Carbon Neutrality
by 2030**

WHEREAS, more than 230 Medical Journals warn that our climate crisis is our greatest public health crisis and a recent United Nations IPCC Report stated that the world must put an end to new fossil fuel infrastructure to mitigate climate change - time is of the essence and the actions taken in the next few years will have profound repercussions for today's children as well as adults and future generations; and

WHEREAS, fuel-switching from gas-powered to all-electric buildings reduces construction costs, improves public health, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, equity, environmental justice, and a well-trained workforce need to all be addressed in climate planning;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party supports the establishment of local policies and programs to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030 while ensuring equitable, environmentally beneficial and workforce-friendly outcomes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Santa Clara County Democratic Party will work to enact policies to stop the expansion of new fossil fuel infrastructure and implement plans to decarbonize existing fossil fuel infrastructure and assets in local cities and agencies and will send a copy of this resolution to the Governor and members of the State Assembly and State Senate who represent any part of Santa Clara County.

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