

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-78**

2 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE**  
3 **2016 ALAMEDA COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND**  
4 **MEASURE A1**

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6 **WHEREAS**, costs for both rental and for-sale housing in the City of Albany and  
7 the rest of Alameda County have risen substantially in recent years; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, affordable housing is a critical resource that provides a stable, safe  
10 environment for members of the local workforce, as well as seniors, people with  
11 disabilities, and others on a fixed income; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, through the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process  
14 completed by the Association of Bay Area Governments in 2013, Albany's assigned share  
15 of the regional housing need was 335 units, including 133 units affordable to low- and  
16 very low-income families; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, consultants for the City of Albany have recently concluded that the  
19 affordability gap associated with the construction of new affordable housing is between  
20 \$150,000 and \$275,000 per unit, depending on the type of unit constructed and the  
21 income of the household being served; and

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23 **WHEREAS**, with the dissolution of redevelopment by the State of California in  
24 2012, Albany and other cities lost a powerful financial tool for development of new  
25 affordable housing; and

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27 **WHEREAS**, the City has a Housing Element policy to "expand the City's supply  
28 of affordable rental and ownership housing for extremely low-, very low-, and moderate-  
29 income households; and

1           **WHEREAS**, in the spring of 2016, Alameda County held a series of Board of  
2 Supervisor work sessions and public stakeholder meetings for the purpose of developing  
3 a proposed affordable housing bond; and  
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6           **WHEREAS**, the proposed measure would generate \$580 million countywide for  
7 affordable housing, including \$460 million for rental housing programs and \$120 million  
8 for homeowner programs; and  
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10           **WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors, on June 28, 2016, took the  
11 necessary actions to place the bond measure on the November 2016 ballot for  
12 consideration by the voters in Alameda County; and  
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14           **WHEREAS**, the bond measure would provide an important new resource for  
15 developing affordable rental housing and providing affordable homeownership  
16 opportunities in the County.  
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18           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of  
19 Albany does hereby affirm its support for the 2016 Alameda County Affordable Housing  
20 Bond measure and encourages Albany residents and businesses to support the measure.  
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25 PETER MAASS, MAYOR  
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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,  
the 3rd day of October, 2016, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Barnes, McQuaid, Nason, Pilch and Mayor Maass

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this  
4th day of October, 2016.

Eileen Harrington  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK