

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2022-074

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA OPPOSING INITIATIVE 21-0042A1, THE TAXPAYER PROTECTION AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

WHEREAS, an association representing a number of California’s wealthiest corporations is advocating for a proposition aimed for the November 2022 statewide ballot, Initiative 21-0042A1; and

WHEREAS, the measure seeks to significantly limit the ability of state and local governments to raise and maintain revenues and could allow corporations to pay far less than their fair share for the impacts they have on our communities, including local infrastructure, our environment, water quality, air quality, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the measure includes provisions that would make it more difficult for local voters to pass ballot measures needed to fund local services and infrastructure, and would limit voter input by prohibiting local advisory measures where voters provide direction on how they want their local tax dollars spent; and

WHEREAS, the measure makes it more difficult for state and local regulators to issue fines and levies on individuals and corporations that violate laws intended to protect our environment, public health and safety, and our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the measure could put at risk billions of dollars currently dedicated statewide to state and local services, and could force cuts to public schools, fire and emergency response, law enforcement, public health, parks, libraries, affordable housing, services to support homeless residents, mental health services, and more; and

WHEREAS, the measure could also reduce funding for critical infrastructure like streets and roads, public transportation, drinking water, new schools, sanitation, and utilities.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa declares its opposition to Initiative 21-0042A1, The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 12th day of April, 2022.

AYES: (7) Mayor C. Rogers, Vice Mayor Alvarez, Council Members Fleming, MacDonald, N. Rogers, Sawyer, Schwedhelm

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney