RESOLUTION NO. 28876

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA EXTENDING A PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL HOMELESS EMERGENCY (Government Code Sections 8630 et seq.)

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2016, pursuant to the authority set forth in California Government Code Sections 8630 thru 8634, Council, by Resolution No. 28839, formally proclaimed a local homeless emergency within Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, Section 8630 requires that the Council review, at least every 30 days until such local emergency is terminated, the need for continuing the local emergency; and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 2016, and again on September 27, Council, by Resolution Nos. 28851 and 28863, approved an extension of the declaration of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2016, pursuant to the City's authority under the declaration of local homeless emergency, the Council approved an interim Community Homeless Assistance Program (CHAP), establishing guidelines for use of private property for safe parking, safe camping, placement and maintenance of portable toilets and access to existing bathroom facilities, provision of temporary overnight shelter, and storage for personal belonging; and

WHEREAS, to strengthen the City's existing policies and programs regarding homelessness in Santa Rosa, the Homeless Policy Subcommittee is currently preparing recommendations in two additional areas in response to the declaration of local homeless emergency – a Comprehensive Homeless Services Strategy and an Emergency Declarations Work Plan; and

WHEREAS, the conditions outlined in Resolution No. 28839 continue to exist in Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, such conditions continue to result in a critical threat to the physical and mental health and safety of those experiencing homelessness, as well as to the natural environment and the public health and well-being of the surrounding community, and thereby continue to place the safety of persons and property at extreme peril within the territorial limits of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the need to continue the proclamation of local homeless emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to the authority set forth in California Government Code Sections 8630 thru 8634, the Council hereby declares that the proclamation of a state of local homeless emergency within the City of Santa Rosa remains in full force and effect in accordance with Resolution No. 28839.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to California Government Code Section 8630, the Council shall review the need for continuing this local homeless emergency at least once every 30 days until the Council terminates the local emergency.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of October 2016.

AYES: (4) Mayor Sawyer, Council Members Carlstrom, Coursey, Wysocky

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (3) Vice Mayor Schwedhelm, Council Members Combs, Olivares

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____

City Clerk

_____ APPROVED: _____

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Interim City Attorney