RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-027

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION IN THE GOLDEN STATE FINANCE AUTHORITY PROGRAM TO FINANCE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES, ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Golden State Finance Authority ("Authority") is a joint exercise of powers authority established pursuant to Chapter 5 of Division 7, Title 1 of the Government Code of the State of California (Section 6500 and following) (the "Act") and the Joint Power Agreement entered into on July 1, 1993, as amended from time to time (the "Authority JPA"); and

WHEREAS, Authority has established a property-assessed clean energy ("PACE") Program (the "Authority PACE Program") to provide for the financing of renewable energy generation, energy and water efficiency improvements electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and other improvements (the "Improvements") pursuant to Chapter 29 of the Improvement Bond Act of 1911, being Division 7 of the California Streets and Highways Code ("Chapter 29") within counties and cities throughout the State of California that elect to participate in such program; and

WHEREAS, City of Santa Rosa (the "City") is committed to development of renewable energy sources and energy and water efficiency improvements, reduction of greenhouse gases, protection of our environment, and reversal of climate change; and

WHEREAS, in Chapter 29, the California Legislature has authorized cities and counties to assist property owners in financing the cost of installing Improvements through a voluntary contractual assessment program; and

WHEREAS, installation of such Improvements by property owners within the jurisdictional boundaries of the counties and cities that are participating in the Authority PACE Program would promote the purposes cited above; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to provide innovative solutions to its property owners to achieve energy and water efficiency and independence, and in doing so cooperate with Authority in order to provide additional PACE options to property owners in the City in financing such Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established the Authority PACE Program, which is such a voluntary contractual assessment program, as permitted by Chapter 29 and entered into a contract with Ygrene Energy Fund California, LLC ("Program Administrator") to administer the Authority PACE Program; and

WHEREAS, the territory within which assessments may be levied for Authority PACE Program shall be coterminous with the City's official boundaries of record and a property owner located within the City may enter into contractual assessments under the Program only after the City has adopted this resolution to authorize participation in the Program; and

WHEREAS, the City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy and collection of assessments or any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in the payment of any assessments or the issuance, sale or administration of any bonds issued in connection with the Authority PACE Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL HEREBY:

- 1. This City Council finds and declares that properties in the City's incorporated area will be benefited by the availability of the Authority PACE Program to finance the installation of the Improvements.
- 2. The City Council consents to inclusion in the Program of all of the properties in the incorporated area within the City, upon the request by and voluntary agreement of owners of such properties, in compliance with the laws, rules and regulations applicable to such Program; and to the assumption of jurisdiction there over by Authority for the purposes thereof.
- 3. The consent of this City Council constitutes assent to the assumption of jurisdiction by Authority for all purposes of the Program and authorizes Authority, through the Program Administrator, upon satisfaction of the conditions imposed in this resolution and by law, to take each and every step required for or suitable for financing the Improvements, including the levying, collecting and enforcement of the contractual assessments to finance the Improvements.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 9th day of February, 2021.

AYES:	(6) Mayor C. Rogers, Vice Mayor N. Rogers, Council Members Alvarez, Fleming, Sawyer, Schwedhelm		
NOES:	(0)		
ABSENT:	(1) Council Member Tibbetts	3	
ABSTAIN:	(0)		
ATTEST:		APPROVED:	
	City Clerk	M	ayor
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
City Attorney			