

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-\_\_\_\_\_**

**Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Supporting Assembly Bill 1400 (Kalra, Lee, & Santiago), The Calcare Act, That Would State The Intent Of The Legislature To Enact Legislation That Would Establish A Comprehensive Universal Single-Payer Health Care Coverage Program And A Health Care Cost Control System For The Benefit Of All Residents Of The State**

**WHEREAS**, every Californian should have a right to health care; and

**WHEREAS**, while the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) brought many improvements in health care and health care coverage, it still leaves many Californians without coverage or with inadequate coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, Californians, as individuals, employers, and taxpayers have experienced a rise in the cost of healthcare and health care coverage in recent years, including rising premiums, deductibles, and copays, as well as restricted provider networks and high out-of-network charges; and

**WHEREAS**, businesses have also experienced increases in the costs of health care benefits for their employees, and many employers are shifting a larger share of the cost of coverage to their employees or dropping coverage entirely; and

**WHEREAS**, Assembly Bill 1400 (AB 1400) would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would create a "comprehensive universal single-payer health care coverage program and a health care cost control system" for the benefit of all Californian residents; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1400 would consistently cover all Californians, because coverage is based on residency, not a person's changing income or employment status; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1400 would eliminate out of control co-pays and high deductibles, and reduce costs by cutting out insurance company waste and duplication; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1400 would give consumers the freedom to choose their doctor, and would manage prescription drug costs; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1400 is sponsored by the California Nurses Association; and

**WHEREAS**, CalCare would establish the CalCare Trust Fund in the State treasury for creating cost controls and maintaining a reserve of funding for responding to health emergencies, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** that the City of Emeryville endorses AB 1400, the CalCare Act; and be it further

**RESOLVED** that the City Manager transmit this resolution to the City of Emeryville's legislative representative for transmission to the State Legislature.

**ADOPTED**, by the City Council of the City of Emeryville at a regular meeting held Tuesday, March 16, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_  
NOES: \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

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MAYOR

ATTEST:  
  
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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
  
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CITY ATTORNEY