

RESOLUTION NO. 21-23

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.

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

AYES:	<u>5</u>	Mayor Martinez, Vice Mayor Donahue, and Council Members Bauters, Medina, and Patz
NOES:	<u>0</u>	_____
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>	_____
ABSENT:	<u>0</u>	_____

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:


 CITY ATTORNEY