

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-\_\_\_\_\_**

**Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Supporting Assembly Bill 1690 (Kalra), The Calcare Act, That Would State The Legislature's Intent To Guarantee 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 cost of health care benefits for their employees, and many employers are shifting a larger share of the cost for such coverage to their employees or dropping coverage entirely; and

**WHEREAS**, Assembly Bill 1690 (AB 1690) would state the Legislature's intent to guarantee 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 1690 advocates for healthcare coverage for all Californians, because coverage is based on residency, not a person's changing income or employment status; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1690 advocates for the elimination of out of control co-pays and high deductibles, and reduce costs by cutting out insurance company waste and duplication; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1690 also advocates to give consumers the freedom to choose their doctor, and would manage prescription drug costs; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1690 is sponsored by the California Nurses Association; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Emeryville endorsed the previous iteration of this legislation, AB 1400, during the 2021-2022 legislative cycle, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** that the City of Emeryville supports the passage of AB 1690, 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 21, 2023, by the following vote:

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

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY CLERK

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*John Kennedy*  
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CITY ATTORNEY