RESOLUTION NO. 7877

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALO ALTO RESOLVING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY "GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM" AND ADOPTING "GREEN GOVERNMENT PLEDGE"

WHEREAS, the City of Palo Alto believes that a healthy economy depends on a healthy environment, and also that a healthy environment depends on a healthy economy;

WHEREAS, it is important for all City of Palo Alto employees, citizens and businesses to conserve natural resources, save energy, and prevent waste to protect our environment and also save money through increased efficiencies;

WHEREAS, working cooperatively with other government entities, the business community, and the public will be more effective in helping to achieve common environmental goals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Palo Alto does hereby RESOLVE as follows:

SECTION 1. The Council hereby acknowledge its participation in the Santa Clara County Green Business Program, adopts the attached Green Government Pledge and fully encourages and supports the City's continued leadership in seeking new opportunities to set an example and enhance business services, intergovernmental relations, public education, and environmentally quality for all.

SECTION 2. The Council finds that the adoption of this resolution is not a project under the CEQA Guidelines and, therefore, no environmental review is required.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: July 19, 1999

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GREEN GOVERNMENT PLEDGE

We believe a healthy environment depends upon a healthy economy. We are actively working to show our environmental responsibility to our community through leading by example, and committing to the following objectives:

- To work with business and coordinate with local, state and federal regulators to achieve the objectives of the Green Business Program.
- To agree to a common set of Green Business Program environmental standards for the business community.
- To provide business with technical assistance and guidance to achieve these environmental standards.
- To support the conservation of energy water, materials and other natural resources.
- To work with business to educate and inform the public regarding the business Program.