

City of Palo Alto

Office of the Mayor and City Council

June 15, 2023

The Honorable Evan Low
California State Assembly
1021 O St., Suite 6110
Sacramento, California 95814

**Re: ACA 5 (Low): Proposition 8 Repeal
Support from the City of Palo Alto**

Dear Assembly Member Low:

On behalf of the City of Palo Alto and Council majority, I write in support of ACA 5 (Low), which will remove Proposition 8, a discriminatory ban on same-sex marriage, from the Constitution.

The City of Palo Alto is committed to creating a respectful, fair, and professional workplace and city. The City is working to identify prejudices, eliminate inequities, welcome many perspectives, and use a collaborative approach to create an environment that works for everyone. The City's commitment to achieve equity in Palo Alto is the shared responsibility of our residents, organizations, governments, and other institutions.

Affirming marriage equality and the right to live freely is critical to protect the rights and well-being of the LGBTQ+ community in California. The City of Palo Alto stands with the efforts to remove this discriminatory language from our Constitution, even though it has been nullified in the Courts.

For these reasons, the City of Palo Alto supports ACA 5 (Low).

Sincerely,



Lydia Kou, Mayor
City of Palo Alto