

## County of Sonoma

State of California

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## Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, To Designate Stalls And Spaces On Public Streets And In Off-street Parking Facilities For The Exclusive Purpose Of Charging Electric Vehicles Pursuant To California Vehicle Code Section 22511, And To Authorize Enforcement For Violations Thereof

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 22511 authorizes a local authority, by ordinance or resolution, to designate stalls or spaces on a public street within its jurisdiction and in off-street parking facilities owned or operated by the local authority for the exclusive purpose of charging and parking a vehicle that is connected for electric charging purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Sonoma has demonstrated a commitment to environmental sustainability, climate action, and clean transportation initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the County's Clean Commute Employee Benefit Program has successfully encouraged the use of electric vehicles and other low-emission modes of transportation among County employees, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, and advancing the County's climate goals; and

WHEREAS, the increased adoption of electric vehicles resulting from this program has created growing demand for public electric vehicle charging infrastructure, including charging options accessible to employees, residents, and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, providing designated EV charging and parking spaces on public streets and at County facilities supports continued momentum in clean transportation, ensures charging infrastructure is available for EV users who are actively charging, and promotes the responsible and efficient use of public resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the effective use of such designated EV stalls requires enforcement authority to ensure that only vehicles actively charging are permitted in these spaces;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, that the Board hereby designates, pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 22511, certain stalls and

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spaces on public streets within its jurisdiction and at County off-street parking facilities, for the exclusive purpose of charging vehicles.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director of the Department of Public Infrastructure is authorized and directed to identify appropriate locations for such EV charging stalls and spaces, install appropriate signage and pavement markings, and coordinate enforcement measures to ensure compliance.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that California Vehicle Code Section 22511.1, which implements the designation of this Board in accordance with Vehicle Code Section 22511, is hereby added as an enforceable parking violation, and all enforcement officials, including County Parking Enforcement Officers, are authorized to enforce the subject Vehicle Code provisions, as permitted by law, as to all vehicles in designated EV charging stalls if those vehicles are not actively being charged. In addition, the parking penalty fine for any violations of the herein-enacted designations are established and shall be in accordance with applicable state law, including as set forth in Vehicle Code Section 42001.6 and any successor statute thereto.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this action aligns with and builds upon the demonstrated success of the County's Clean Commute Employee Benefit Program, and the Board encourages ongoing evaluation and expansion of designated EV infrastructure to meet future demand.

| Supervisors: |          |          |             |          |  |
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