

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA RELATING TO  
THE APPOINTMENT OF A COUNTY EXECUTIVE PRO TEM AND  
THE ORDER OF SUCCESSION IN THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S ABSENCE**

**WHEREAS**, the continued functioning of the Office of the County Executive, during any period of emergency or in the event the County Executive is unavailable or unable to serve, is necessary to ensure the effective operation of the government of the County of Santa Clara; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Emergency Services Act, Section 8638 of the Government Code, states, in part, that to provide for the continuance of the executive department of the County during any emergency, the governing body shall have the power to appoint *three standby officers for the County Executive*; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 403 of the Charter of the County of Santa Clara provides that the County Executive shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors, a County officer or employee to serve as *County Executive pro tem* during any temporary absence or disability of the County Executive and at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clara County Ordinance Code Section A8-10 provides that the County Executive shall be the Director of Emergency Services; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clara County Ordinance Code Section A8-11 provides that the *Director of Emergency Services* shall designate the *order of succession* to that office, to take effect in the event the Director is unavailable to attend meetings and otherwise perform duties during an emergency;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. The Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Section 8638 of the Government Code, appoints the following three *standby officers* to serve in the order named during any proclaimed emergency should the *County Executive* be unavailable: Chief Operating Officer Gary Graves, Deputy County Executive Luke Leung, and Deputy County Executive Sylvia Gallegos.
2. The Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Section 403 of the Charter, approves the appointment by the County Executive of Chief Operating Officer Gary Graves to serve as *County Executive pro tem* during the temporary absence or disability of the County Executive and at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors.

3. The Board of Supervisors acknowledges the designation by the *Director of Emergency Services* of the following *order of succession to that office*:  
Chief Operating Officer Gary Graves, Deputy County Executive Luke Leung, Deputy County Executive Sylvia Gallegos, Deputy County Executive Emily Harrison, Social Services Agency Director Will Lightbourne, Health and Hospital System Director Kim Roberts, Facilities and Fleet Director Jeff Draper, and Roads and Airports Department Director Michael Murdter.
4. The resolution adopted by this Board on November 4, 2008, regarding this subject is repealed and superseded by this resolution.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors  
NOES: Supervisors  
ABSENT: Supervisors  
ABSTAIN: Supervisors

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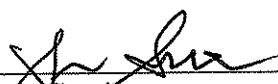
Liz Kniss, President  
Board of Supervisors

Signed and certified that a copy  
of this document has been delivered  
by electronic or other means to the  
President, Board of Supervisors.  
ATTEST:

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Maria Marinos  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



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Susan Swain  
Senior Lead Deputy County Counsel