RESOLUTION NO. 03-87

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS AGREEING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSIONS OF THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER RESOURCES PROTECTION COLLABORATIVE

WHEREAS, at the urging of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (the "Water District"), staff members of the Cities in Santa Clara County, along with representatives of the County of Santa Clara ("County") and the Water District, as well as the Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District ("GCRCD"), the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, various business and development interests, environmental and community interests, and a representative of property owners' interests have formed the Santa Clara Valley Water Resources Protection Collaborative ("Collaborative"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Altos (the "CITY") values the goals of flood management, drinking water quality and adequate quantity, groundwater quality and quantity, and habitat protection; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the CITY has continuously acted to protect the watersheds, water quality and water resources within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the CITY is willing to discuss with other participants in the Collaborative's discussions ways to further these goals; and

WHEREAS, the CITY recognizes the respective roles of the CITY, other cities, the County, and the Water District, in achieving these goals; and respects the rights of those who own riparian property to build and rebuild to the extent currently allowed by CITY General Plan and Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that local control is the key to achieving resource protection goals, and that Cities are the primary jurisdictions for land use planning and land use permit regulation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Los Altos hereby agrees to participate in discussions aimed at achieving these goals;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City agrees to commit reasonable staff resources to support the discussion of ways to achieve the common goals of the Collaborative discussants and to consider the product of said Collaborative.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on the twenty-third day of September, 2003:

AYES:

Moss, La Poll, Becker, Lear, Casto

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

SUSAN KITCHENS, City Clerk

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