



**IN HONOR OF TOM KELLY**

**WHEREAS,** Tom Kelly is a champion for the environment and a pioneer of innovative programs to address climate change; and

**WHEREAS,** he co-founded KyotoUSA in 2004, a non-profit with the primary objective of encouraging cities to ratify the Kyoto Protocol and commit to significant reductions in their greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS,** he created the HELiOS Project (Helios Energy Lights Our Schools) which provides pro-bono consulting services to public school districts interested in installing solar on their schools, working with Washington Elementary to become the first solar school in the Berkeley Unified School District; and

**WHEREAS,** the HELiOS Project's Solar Master Plans have resulted in the installation of solar systems on a total of 177 public schools across California, representing 49 MW of solar power; and

**WHEREAS,** Tom Kelly initiated the development of Alameda County's Community Choice Energy program, launching in early 2018, that will offer 100% clean energy to all Berkeley and Alameda County energy consumers, constituting the single most impactful action our community can take to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS,** KyotoUSA led a delegation to the Paris Climate Talks in 2015 and introduced the Community Choice Energy concept to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; and

**WHEREAS,** he is currently spearheading the introduction of Community Choice Energy to Oregon, Washington and Nevada in an effort to expand the program throughout the country.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Jesse Arreguin, Mayor of the City of Berkeley, and Sophie Hahn, District 5 Councilmember, do hereby express our profound gratitude to**

**TOM KELLY AND KYOTOUSA**

for their tireless work addressing climate change in our City and beyond.

Jesse Arreguin  
Mayor

Sophie Hahn  
Councilmember, District 5



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