RESOLUTION NO. 19-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE LOS ALTOS HILLS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT ADOPTING THE LOS ALTOS HILLS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT REVISED ANNEX 4 AND ADDENDUM TO THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN AS THE LOS ALTOS HILLS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT'S COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

WHEREAS, wildfire is an ever-increasing concern for many communities in California and across the United States; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, there have been a number of significant wildfires in the local region near the Los Altos Hills County Fire District, as well as in California and other areas of the United States, that have resulted in the loss of homes and lives; and

WHEREAS, the cost to suppress wildfires across the United States typically exceeds one billion dollars annually; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clara County Fire Department (County Fire) prepared a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) for the areas served by County Fire, including the Los Altos Hills County Fire District; and

WHEREAS, the CWPP's primary goal is to protect human life and reduce property loss due to wildfire by identifying wildfire risk and mitigation measures in the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas, the zones most at risk for wildfire, of the County Fire service area; and

WHEREAS, the CWPP is a strategic plan with goals for creating a safer wildland urban interface community; and

WHEREAS, the CWPP was developed in collaboration with the jurisdictions served by County Fire, wildfire professionals and non-profits in Santa Clara County, and the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, County Fire also conducted a series of community workshops and solicited community input on the development of the plan, including identification of hazards and potential mitigation measures; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County CWPP includes annexes that address specific issues and projects to address these risks by jurisdictions in the County Fire service area; and

WHEREAS, the Los Altos Hills County Fire District wishes to revise Annex 4 to the Santa Clara County CWPP and to include an Addendum to serve as the Los Altos Hills County Fire District's CWPP; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Los Altos Hills County Fire District Revised Annex 4 to the Santa Clara County CWPP and Addendum is intended to be a dynamic document that evolves to be revised as practice for fire prevention, fuel load management change, and as County Fire and

the Los Altos Hills County Fire District adopt new or additional measures and technologies that enhance safety of property and lives from threats of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Los Altos County Fire District have reviewed and considered the proposed Los Altos Hills County Fire Districted Revised Annex 4 to the Santa Clara County Community Wildlife Protection Plan and Addendum which is attached as <u>Exhibit A.</u>

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Los Altos Hills County Fire District does hereby adopt the Los Altos Hills County Fire District Revised Annex 4 to the Santa Clara County Community Wildfire Protection Plan and Addendum as the Los Altos Hills County Fire District's Community Wildfire Protection Plan attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

The above and foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Los Altos Hills County Fire District held on the 18st day of June 2019 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mark Warren, Board President

ATTEST:

DATE:

Jeanne Evilsizer, District Clerk