RESOLUTION NO. 2013-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS SUPPORTING SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT SPECIAL TAX MEASURE A

WHEREAS, a Santa Clara County Library District Community Facilities District Special Tax Measure will appear on the August 27, 2013 mail ballot in our community; and

WHEREAS, voter-approved taxpayer funding for our local libraries has been in place for the past twenty years and is due to expire; and

WHEREAS, continuing this funding at existing rates does not increase taxes and will help the Los Altos and Woodland Libraries to buy needed books and up-to-date research materials; maintain library hours and services; keep qualified librarians; continue summer student reading programs; and provide an award-winning bookmobile program; and

WHEREAS, every dollar from these voter-approved revenues raised within the City of Los Altos goes directly for the benefit and operation of the Los Altos and Woodland Libraries; and

WHEREAS, with school libraries often open only a few days per week, the Los Altos and Woodland Libraries are more important than ever for our children's education as it provides school and community college students with access to new books, up-to-date research materials, and summer reading programs; and

WHEREAS, many seniors on fixed incomes rely on libraries because buying books is just too expensive, and this funding helps maintain our bookmobile program that brings books to senior centers; and

WHEREAS, without this funding, the Los Altos and Woodland Libraries will be forced to implement significant cuts to programs and services, including purchasing fewer books and databases, reducing their ability to maintain up-to-date collections; reducing or eliminating library programs for children, teens and seniors; and closing the library for an additional day to day-and-a-half each week.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos hereby endorses the Santa Clara County Library District Community Facilities District Special Tax Measure A on the August 27, 2013 mail ballot.

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 25th day of June, 2013 by the following vote:

AYES:	BRUINS, CARPENTER, PEPPER, SATTERLEE, FISHPAW
NOES:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE

Jarrett Fishpaw, MAYOR

Attest:

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK