RESOLUTION NO. 21EXPRESSING APPRECIATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

TO

SOUTH BAY CLEAN CREEKS COALITION FOR THE 2021 COYOTE CREEK CLEANUP

WHEREAS, the Coyote Creek Cleanup was a collaboration with local agencies, volunteers, local businesses, and various community partners to clean two sites along Coyote Creek and provide outreach services to the unhoused; and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) to provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara Valley Water District and South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition collaborated to recruit volunteers for the 2021 Coyote Creek Cleanup on Saturday, May 1, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, 98 volunteers organized by community partners, including South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition, dedicated their time to participate in this event to pick up trash and debris along Coyote Creek; and

WHEREAS, hot meals and outreach services were provided by a local nonprofit to nearly 50 unhoused individuals along the creek before and during the event; and

WHEREAS, the unhoused who helped to clean up around the creek and returned filled trash bags were provided cash valued redemption cards through the City of San Jose's Cash for Trash program partially funded by Valley Water; and

WHEREAS, through the collective efforts of staff and volunteers, over 27.25 tons (54,500 pounds) of trash including 64 gallons of biowaste was removed from Coyote Creek during the cleanup event.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District that the Board recognizes and expresses its appreciation to South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition for their collaboration as part of the comprehensive approach to pollution prevention in our local waterways.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District on June 8, 2021

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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Clerk, Board of Directors

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