

RESOLUTION NO. 21-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE ACTION FOR SPENT FUEL SOLUTIONS NOW COALITION

WHEREAS, the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) is a retired commercial nuclear power plant in close proximity to the City of San Clemente; and

WHEREAS, since 2013 SONGS has been in the decommissioning process and as of August of 2020 all spent nuclear fuel packaged in stainless steel canisters designed for both storage and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has failed to meet its obligations to assume title, liability and transport of the spent fuel at SONGS as it was required to do so in 1998 under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-425) and by contract; and

WHEREAS, nearly \$41 billion (including interest income) has been paid into the Nuclear Waste Fund by utility customers nationwide, including almost \$1 billion from SONGS customers including San Clemente residents; and

WHEREAS, the lack of national policy prevents removal of spent fuel from SONGS, impeding the decommissioning of the plant, restoration of the site and return of the land to the U.S. Navy; and

WHEREAS, the "Strategic Plan for the Relocation of SONGS Spent Nuclear Fuel to an Offsite Storage Facility or a Repository" was developed by a team of independent national experts and the Plan recommends formation of a coalition of stakeholders to advocate for federal action to facilitate a licensed facility that can accept the spent fuel; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Clemente has continuously encouraged and supported a permanent, safe disposal site for spent fuel through such actions including but not limited to directing City staff to provide formal communications to federal, state and local officials regarding removal of spent fuel from SONGS; adopting the Centennial General Plan Policy S-5.05 Disposal of Radioactive Fuel; and Resolution 14-49 declaring the City's position on spent nuclear fuel at SONGS; and

WHEREAS, off-site interim and long-term storage options are important to enhance the health, safety, and security of residents, businesses, and visitors in the City of San Clemente; and

WHEREAS, a new coalition, *Action for Spent Fuel Solutions Now*, provides an opportunity for stakeholders, including educators, local governments, business and labor leaders, Native American leaders, environmental groups, and community members, to join forces and make offsite spent fuel storage and/or disposal a priority.

NOW, THEREFORE, The City Council of the City of San Clemente does hereby resolve as follows:

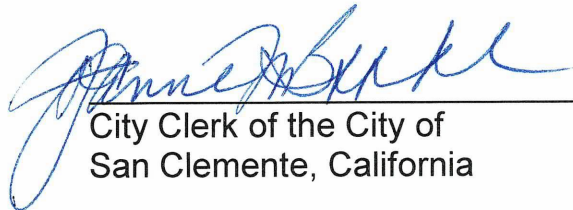
Section 1. The City Council of the City of San Clemente supports the *Action for Spent Fuel Solutions Now* coalition and its efforts to relocate spent fuel to a federally license facility.

Section 2. The City Manager is directed to transmit this Resolution to the Co-Chairs of the Action for Spent Fuel Solutions Now coalition, Orange County Supervisor Lisa Bartlett and San Diego County Supervisor Jim Desmond, and to the Orange County and San Diego Congressional delegation and U.S. senators.

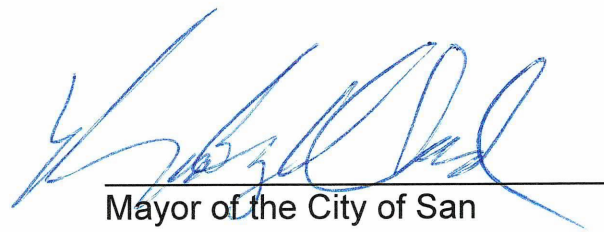
Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of July, 2021.

ATTEST:



City Clerk of the City of
San Clemente, California



Mayor of the City of San
Clemente, California

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COUNTY OF ORANGE) §
CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE)

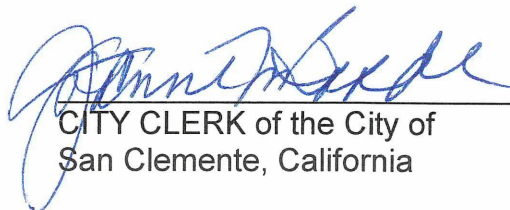
I, JOANNE BAADE, City Clerk of the City of San Clemente, California, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 21-31 was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente held on the 20th day of July, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: DUNCAN, FERGUSON, JAMES, KNOBLOCK, MAYOR WARD

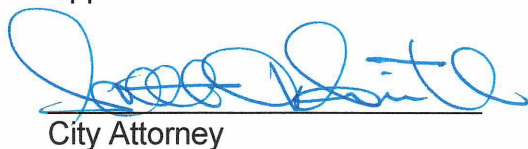
NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of San Clemente, California, this 9TH day of AUGUST, 2021.


CITY CLERK of the City of
San Clemente, California

Approved as to form:


City Attorney