

**2023-3 Resolution to Oppose Recall of Amourance Lee, Mayor, City of San Mateo
Adopted March 16, 2023**

WHEREAS, the recall process should only be used for the most egregious cases of corruption and malfeasance and the stated reasons for this recall do not meet that standard and are vague and unsubstantiated; and

WHEREAS, using the recall process for disappointment or frustration over an election is counter to democratic values and jeopardizes the representative form of government; and in addition, it is estimated that, if signature gathering for this recall proposal is successful, it will cost the City of San Mateo \$600,000 to \$700,000 for a special election—an unfortunate and wasteful expenditure of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the divisive nature of the recall process and its impact on public trust and on elected officials being able to act independently, without fear of political retribution, is crucial for effective governance;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee does not support the recall campaign, and urges San Mateo residents not to sign the recall petitions and to reject the attempt to recall Amourance Lee, Mayor of the City of San Mateo.

Submitted by Diana Reddy