

RESOLUTION NO. 10-20
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE U.N.
CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clarita has high aspirations and standards for its children and families and is consistently seeking ways to improve their lives and ensure an environment that protects children's health; and
WHEREAS, the Convention on the Rights of the Child was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on November 20, 1989 and became effective as an international treaty on September 2, 1990; and
WHEREAS, the Convention on the Rights of the Child is the only international human rights treaty to recognize the vital role of the family and the parent-child relationship; and
WHEREAS, the United States and Somalia are the only two countries that have not ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child; and
WHEREAS, the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child enhances Santa Clarita's stature as a municipal leader in promoting the care and well-being of children; and
WHEREAS, the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child by the City Council is consistent with Santa Clarita's past support of securing fundamental rights for the most vulnerable; and
WHEREAS, the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child affirms Santa Clarita's commitment to protect children and promote their rights; and
WHEREAS, the members of the Santa Clarita City Council strongly support the efforts of the Human Rights Watch Student Task Force to educate their communities and the City of Santa Clarita about the Convention on the Rights of the Child; and
WHEREAS, the Convention would provide a single comprehensive framework within which the diverse arms of the Santa Clarita city government can assess and address, in a consistent manner, the rights and protections of our children.
NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita does hereby resolve as follows:
SECTION 1. That the Santa Clarita City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor do hereby affirm their support for the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child and will advance policies and practices that are in line with the principles of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in all city agencies and organizations that address issues directly affecting the City's children.
SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of May, 2010.

MAYOR
ATTEST:

CITY CLERK
STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss.

CITY OF SANTA CLARITA)

I, Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk of the City of Santa Clarita, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 11th day of May, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Ender, Kellar, McLean, Weste

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Ferry

CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss.

CITY OF SANTA CLARITA)

CERTIFICATION OF
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

I, , City Clerk of the City of Santa Clarita, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution No. 10-20, adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita, California on May 11, 2010, which is now on file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Santa Clarita, California, this day of 2010.

City Clerk

By _____

Deputy City Clerk