RESOLUTION NO. 2011-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING THAT THE ALAMEDA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY PURSUE ALTERNATIVES TO DEATH PENALTY SENTENCES IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

WHEREAS, more than 135 innocent people have been freed from death rows across the U.S. after spending years in prison for crimes they did not commit and

WHEREAS, there are racial and geographic disparities in the application of the death penalty; and

WHEREAS death penalty cases cost Alameda County taxpayers millions more than permanent imprisonment and resources could be used for other effective public safety programs; and

WHEREAS Alameda County has historically sent more people to death row than any other Bay Area county, even after adjusting for murder rates and population size; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED we, the City of Albany, request that:

1) The District Attorney of Alameda County pursue alternatives to the death penalty; and

2) The District Attorney and the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County to invest in solving homicides, violence prevention, and effective public safety programs.

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Farid Javandel, MAYOR
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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,
this 18th day of January, 2011, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Lieber, Thomsen, Wile & Mayor Javandel

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 18th
day of January, 2011.

[Signature]
JACQUELINE L. BUCHOLZ, CMC
CITY CLERK