RESOLUTION NO. R2023-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL ENDORSING THE SOUTH SALT LAKE CITY MAYOR’S PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING THE UNITED NATIONS TREATY ON THE PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

WHEREAS, the South Salt Lake City Mayor (the “Mayor”) has presented for the South Salt Lake City Council’s (the “Council”) review and intends to sign, a Proclamation supporting the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor’s Proclamation states, among other things, that nuclear weapons pose an unacceptable threat to people everywhere and that the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons is an effort to break the nuclear status quo and build broad support for fundamental change in U.S. nuclear weapons policy; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes the important work of the City in its Promise South Salt Lake Program to focus on the City’s youngest residents and the importance of the City’s three promises to our community 1) every child has the opportunity to attend and graduate from college, 2) every resident has a safe clean home and neighborhood, and 3) every resident has the opportunity to be healthy and prosper; and

WHEREAS, the Council views support of this Nuclear Weapon Ban Treaty, as an important step in supporting the City’s Promises to the community and protecting the future of our youth and families; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of South Salt Lake, that the Council endorses the Mayor’s proclamation supporting the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons as shown in the attached Exhibit A.

(signatures appear on separate page)

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the South Salt Lake City Council, South Salt Lake, Utah, on this 23rd day of August, 2023.

BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

Sharla Bynum
Council Chair

City Council Vote as Recorded:

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ATTEST:

Ariel Andrus
City Recorder
EXHIBIT A

Proclamation of the South Salt Lake City Mayor Supporting the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons
PROCLAMATION

Supporting the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

WHEREAS, the City of South Salt Lake, through its Promise South Salt Lake program, puts a specific emphasis on our youngest residents, providing a city-wide system of afterschool programs that ensure our youth receive high quality academic and enrichment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Promise South Salt Lake recognizes the importance of family and community engagement as an essential element to achieve long-term, sustainable, and improved outcomes, processes, relationships, discourse, decision-making, and implementation; and

WHEREAS, the City, through Promise South Salt Lake have made three Promises to our community: 1) Every child has the opportunity to attend and graduate from college, 2) Every resident has a safe clean home and neighborhood, and 3) Every resident has the opportunity to be healthy and prosper; and

WHEREAS, in nine countries, the United States, Russia, United Kingdom, France, China, Israel, India, Pakistan, and North Korea, there are nearly 13,000 nuclear weapons—enough to destroy our planet hundreds of times with over 90% of nuclear weapons in the arsenals of the United States and Russia; and

WHEREAS, nuclear weapons pose an unacceptable threat to people everywhere and their use, whether deliberate or accidental, would have catastrophic, widespread and long-term humanitarian and environmental consequences; and

WHEREAS, the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, also known as the Nuclear Weapon Ban Treaty, is the first legally binding international agreement to comprehensively prohibit nuclear weapons, with the goal of leading towards their total elimination.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the South Salt Lake City Council and Mayor support the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; and formally endorse Back from the Brink: The Call to Prevent Nuclear War, an effort to break the nuclear status quo and build broad support for fundamental change in U.S. nuclear weapons policy, and commit to the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) Parliamentary Pledge, joining elected officials from around the world in formally supporting the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the South Salt Lake City Council and Mayor will transmit copies of this proclamation to the President of the United States, Utah's U.S. Senators and Representatives, and the Governor of Utah, entreat their support of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

STATE OF UTAH
COUNTY OF SALT LAKE
CITY OF SOUTH SALT LAKE

Cherie Wood, Mayor

Attest