

**RESOLUTION NO. 27-2009**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TIBURON  
ENDORING AND AUTHORIZING USE OF RESIDENTIAL  
SEISMIC STRENGTHENING STANDARD PLAN SET A**

WHEREAS, the Town of Tiburon is subject to various earthquake-related hazards including very violent ground shaking; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Geological Survey has found that there is 62% chance that one or more earthquakes of magnitude 6.7 or greater will occur on one of several active faults in the Bay Area in the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Tiburon seeks to maintain and enhance a disaster-resistant region by reducing the potential loss of life, property damage, and environmental degradation from natural disasters, while accelerating economic recovery from those disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Tiburon is committed to helping meet the need of Bay Area residents for safe and disaster-resistant housing that is architecturally diverse and serves a variety of household sizes and incomes; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Tiburon finds that un-braced or inadequately braced cripple wall houses in the Bay Area represent a significant earthquake risk to the safety of residents and their property; and

WHEREAS, a “Standard Plan Set A: Residential Seismic Strengthening Plan” (Plan Set) has been developed by a committee representing ABAG’s Earthquake and Hazards Program, building contractors, the Structural Engineers Association of Northern California (SEAONC), the California Building Officials (CALBO), the International Code Council (ICC) Tri-Chapters (East Bay, Peninsula, Monterey Bay), and the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI) Northern California Chapter, and each organization has formally approved of the Plan Set.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Tiburon that the Town:

a) Endorses and authorizes the use, where applicable, of “Standard Plan Set A: Residential Seismic Strengthening Plan - 2008” as a prescriptive seismic strengthening plan for cripple wall bracing of walls not more than four (4) feet high and foundation sill plate anchorage of qualifying light wood-framed residential structures not more than two stories in height and containing not more than two dwelling units, and

b) Strongly encourages its residents to utilize this Standard Plan Set A by promoting its use as a minimum standard for seismic retrofitting.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Tiburon held on September 16, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Berger, Collins, Fredericks, Gram, Slavitz

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

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ALICE FREDERICKS, MAYOR  
TOWN OF TIBURON

ATTEST:

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