WHEREAS the youth movement led by Greta Thunberg and other climate youth activists is calling for a Global Climate Strike on September 20, 2019, and
WHEREAS these climate youth activists have invited all adults to step up alongside them to help make their voices heard, and
WHEREAS the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) of October 2018 found that limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees centigrade would require rapid, far-reaching and unprecedented changes in all aspects of society and that doing so would go hand in hand with ensuring a more sustainable and equitable society, and
WHEREAS UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres will convene a Climate Summit starting on September 23, 2019 at the UN in New York City to bring world leaders of governments, the private sector and civil society together to support the multinational process and to increase and accelerate climate action and ambition, and
WHEREAS young people won’t hold off climate change by themselves and need the help of adults everywhere, and
WHEREAS supporting Greta Thunberg and climate youth activists everywhere who are demanding action to address the climate crisis is in furtherance of all 17 of the UN Global Goals for Sustainable Development, and
WHEREAS it has been repeatedly demonstrated that collective action does work.

BE IT RESOLVED that the United Nations Association of San Francisco supports and encourages Greta Thunberg and youth climate activists everywhere and further resolves that it is in the best interests of all people to rise up on September 20, 2019 to demand action and that changes be made to provide a safe pathway to stay within 1.5 degrees centigrade of global heating.

Unanimously approved this 24th day of August, 2019

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