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**BEVERLY HILLS CITY COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY
APPROVES RESOLUTION STRONGLY CONDEMNING
THE RUSSIAN INVASION OF UKRAINE**

Ukrainian President Zelensky Named Honorary Citizen

Beverly Hills, CA – The Beverly Hills City Council tonight unanimously approved a resolution strongly condemning the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

In the resolution, the Council strongly condemns with moral outrage the “unjustified, unprovoked, premeditated, uncivilized, evil, barbaric, abhorrent and inhumane Russian invasion of Ukraine by the oppressive Putin regime.”

The Council also appointed Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky as an honorary citizen of Beverly Hills and directed staff to research and implement any federal sanctions and other sanctions which the City has the authority to implement, including sanctions against any Russian oligarchs; divesting of any fund possessing Russian assets; lobbying CalPERS regarding divesting of any fund possessing Russian assets and terminating contracts, if any, with Russian firms.

During tonight’s meeting, all members of the City Council expressed their support of the Ukrainian people and called for an immediate end to the violence.

The resolution also calls on ‘peace loving cities around the world’ to take similar action.

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