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**Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil,
political, economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development**

Resolution adopted by the Human Rights Council on 6 October 2025

60/9. The human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, in which the Assembly pledged to leave no one behind,

Reaffirming all previous Human Rights Council resolutions on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation,

Recalling all previous General Assembly resolutions on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, including resolution 64/292 of 28 July 2010,

1. *Welcomes* the work of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, and takes note with appreciation of his reports;

2. *Decides* to extend the mandate of Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation for a period of three years;

3. *Requests* the Special Rapporteur to continue to report, on an annual basis, to the Human Rights Council and, on a biennial basis, to the General Assembly as of its eightieth session;

4. *Also requests* the Special Rapporteur, with a view to promoting the progressive realization of the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation at the 2026 United Nations Water Conference to Accelerate the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 6 and the 2028 United Nations Conference on the Final Comprehensive Review of the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Decade for Action, “Water for Sustainable Development”, 2018–2028, to actively engage in collaboration with States and



other stakeholders, including the special procedures of the Human Rights Council, in the preparatory process to ensure that the human rights dimension, including gender equality, is adequately reflected in the agenda and outcome of the conferences, and to ensure broad and inclusive civil society representation, and to this end to participate actively in the conferences and their preparatory meetings;

5. *Encourages* the Special Rapporteur to facilitate, including through engagement with relevant stakeholders, the provision of technical assistance in the area of the implementation of the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation;

6. *Encourages* all Governments to continue to respond favourably to requests by the Special Rapporteur for visits and information, to follow up effectively on the recommendations of the mandate holder and to make available information on measures taken in this regard;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide the Special Rapporteur with all the resources and assistance necessary for the effective fulfilment of the mandate;

8. *Decides* to continue its consideration of this matter.

*42nd meeting
6 October 2025*

[Adopted without a vote.]
