## RESOLUTION NO. 7635

## CITY OF SOUTH GATE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE SUPPORTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROPOSITION P, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY "SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, YOUTH/SENIOR RECREATION, BEACHES/WILDLIFE PROTECTION MEASURE"

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of South Gate with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 1992, sixty-four percent (64%) of the voters in Los Angeles County authorized formation of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (the "District"), the levy of a benefit assessment within the District, and a plan of expenditure of the proceeds of such assessment for the development, acquisition, improvement, restoration and maintenance of parks, recreational, cultural and community facilities, and open space lands within the County; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 1996, sixty-five percent (65%) of the voters in Los Angeles County amended the method of assessment, and authorized expenditures of the District revenues; and

WHEREAS, the revenues from the 1992 and 1996 assessments will sunset in Fiscal Years 2014-2015 and 2018-2019, respectively; and

WHEREAS, to ensure continued funding for these programs the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has placed on the November, 2014 ballot the "Safe Neighborhood Parks, Youth/Senior Recreation, Beaches/Wildlife Protection Measure" authorizing an annual special tax on all properties in the County, consisting of twenty-three dollars (\$23.00) per parcel, to be levied -for thirty (30) years commencing in Fiscal Year 2015-16 through Fiscal Year 2044-45; and

WHEREAS, this measure will provide funds for the continued development, acquisition, improvement, restoration and maintenance of parks, recreational, cultural and community facilities, and open space lands within the County and provide benefits throughout the County by improving economic, environmental, and recreational conditions resulting in maintained or enhanced property values; and

WHEREAS, the collection and expenditure of all funds under this measure will be transparent to the taxpayers through annual independent financial audits and public review of expenditures; all funds generated by this measure will be spent in the County; and all County communities will receive an equitable share of the funding; and

WHEREAS, the purchase, construction, rehabilitation and maintenance of parks and recreation facilities under this measure will aid in the development of safe places and facilities for after-school, weekend and holiday pro rams for local children and youth, thereby creating healthy places for children and youth to play, learn and interact with other children; and

WHEREAS, residents have already been actively paying property assessments to fund these programs and the new measure will simply continue to provide funds to ensure all Los Angeles County parks and recreation centers that enhance our community are continuously serviced, maintained and upgraded, and that new parks and open space facilities are established; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of South Gate have benefited from the funds generated by the 1992 and 1996 assessments through grants provided through the District, which have funded in whole or in part over forty improvement projects at parks and recreation facilities owned, maintained and operated by the City of South Gate; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate continues to have unmet needs for park, recreation, youth and senior facilities, and for positive recreational alternatives for at-risk youth, families and seniors and our community depends on its existing and irreplaceable park, recreation, wildlife, and open space land as indicated in its Parks Master Plan;

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby approves support for the Los Angeles County "Safe Neighborhood Parks, Youth/Senior Recreation, Beaches/Wildlife Protection Measure" to be placed before the voters in November 2014 which would authorize an annual special tax on all properties in the County of Los Angeles, consisting of twenty-three dollars (\$23.00) per parcel, to be levied for thirty (30) years commencing in Fiscal Year 2015-16 through Fiscal Year 2044-45.

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**SECTION 2.** The City Council hereby encourages all voters to educate themselves as to whether or not to support Los Angeles County Proposition P, the "Safe Neighborhood Parks, Youth/Senior Recreation, Beaches/Wildlife Protection Measure."

**SECTION 3.** The City Council hereby encourages all of the City's local non-profit and volunteer organizations who use and benefit from the City's park facilities to educate themselves and their members about this legislation in a manner which is allowable and appropriate within the rules and judgment of each organization.

**SECTION 4.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2014.

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE:** 

Henry C. Gonzalez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney

## RESOLUTION CERTIFICATION PAGE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA	)	
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	)	SS
CITY OF SOUTH GATE	)	

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that <u>Resolution No. 7635</u> was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on October 14, 2014, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Gonzalez, Morales, Davila, De Witt and Hurtado

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on October 16, 2014.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk City of South Gate, California