### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT

**WHEREAS**, consensus exists among the world's leading climate scientists that global warming caused by emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) from human activities is among the most significant problems facing the world today; and

WHEREAS, documented impacts of global warming include but are not limited to increased occurrences of extreme weather events (e.g. droughts and floods), adverse impacts on ecosystems, demographic patterns and economic value chains; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has mandated statewide reduction of the 2030 GHG emissions target by reducing today's petroleum use in cars and trucks by up to 50%; increasing from one-third to 50% our electricity derived from renewable sources; doubling the energy efficiency savings achieved at existing buildings and making heating fuels cleaner; reducing the release of methane, black carbon and other short-lived climate pollutants; managing farm and rangelands, forests and wetlands so they can store carbon; and periodically updating the state's climate adaptation strategy; and

WHEREAS, responding to the climate change provides communities an opportunity to access first mover advantage in the range of products, services and knowhow that transitioning to a climate-compatible future brings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Paris Agreement resulted in a commitment from almost every nation to take action and enact programs to limit global temperature increase to less than 2 degrees Celsius, with an expectation that this goal would be reduced to 1.5 degrees in the future;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF CALISTOGA:

- 1. Indicates its commitment to reducing GHG emissions through an implementation of a Climate Action Plan; and
- 2. Joins other US cities in the Climate Mayors network in adopting and supporting the goals of the Paris Agreement; and
- 3. Commits to exploring the potential benefits and costs of adopting policies and programs that promote the long-term goal of GHG emissions reduction while maximizing economic and social co-benefits of such action.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this \_\_\_\_\_ **day of** \_\_\_\_\_ **2017**, by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

CHRIS CANNING, Mayor

ATTEST:

KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2017-193

# A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK, CALIFORNIA, STATING ITS OPPOSITION TO PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE PARIS CLIMATE AGREMENT

WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Accord, known as the "Paris Agreement" by the United Nations, is an historic international agreement reached in 2015 aimed at reducing carbon emissions, slowing rising global temperatures and helping countries deal with the effects of climate change.

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump announced the United States will withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement, the 2015 landmark international accord at combating climate change;

WHEREAS, under the terms of the agreement, signatories committed to holding the increase in the global average temperature to well below  $2^{\circ}$  C above pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to  $1.5^{\circ}$  C above pre-industrial levels;

WHEREAS, the deal requires countries to set their own targets for reducing emissions by 2020. The Obama administration committed the U.S. to reducing carbon emissions by 26 to 28 percent by 2025;

WHEREAS, the agreement also established a \$100 billion fund to help vulnerable countries deal with the effects of climate change and these countries are in grave need of this money in order to combat climate change;

WHEREAS, the Obama administration committed the U.S. to the agreement without seeking ratification in the Senate, meaning Mr. Trump can withdraw support unilaterally, which he has. The U.S. joins Nicaragua and Syria as the only countries not participating in the agreement;

WHEREAS, the process of the U.S. withdrawing from the agreement could take at least three years, and scientists warn such a decision could have dire consequences for the planet;

WHEREAS, the Associated Press recently asked two dozen climate scientists what would happen if the U.S. reneges on its commitments under the Paris Agreement. They said that doing so would make it much more difficult to prevent crossing a dangerous threshold in global temperatures;

WHEREAS, the U.S. could contribute to an increase of as much as 0.3 degrees Celsius in global temperatures by end of the century if it abandons the deal, according to one simulation;

WHEREAS, withdrawing from the deal could result in an additional 3 billion tons of carbon dioxide being released into the atmosphere each year, speeding up the rate of rising sea levels and melting ice sheets creating dangerous and life threatening conditions;

WHEREAS, the community of Baldwin Park contains a population critically vulnerable to environmental impacts caused by climate change due to its socioeconomic status and geographic location next to an interstate Freeway; and

WHEREAS, the City of Baldwin Park takes sharp exception to President Trump's unilateral action to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement because of the environmental effects on its community with the effects of climate change being the most deleterious.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. That the City Council of the City of Baldwin Park opposes the withdrawal by President Donald Trump of the United States from the 2015 landmark international accord combating climate change, the Paris Climate Agreement.

SECTION 2. That the withdrawal of the United States from the Paris Climate Agreement would have deleterious effects and scientists warn such a decision could have dire consequences for the planet. The withdrawal would especially have a deleterious impact on the vulnerable community of Baldwin Park because of its socioeconomic status and geographic location.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, and RESOLVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:

MAYOR

STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITY OF BALDWIN PARK

I, Alejandra Avila, City Clerk of the City of Baldwin Park, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Baldwin Park at its regular meeting of the 7th day of June, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

Alejandra Avila CITY CLERK