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MOUNTAIN OAKS ACQUISITION

The Mountains Oaks Acquisition Project (Project) is in the Verdugo Mountains area of the City of Glendale. The property has exceptional recreational, historical, and ecological resources and abuts City of Glendale parkland to the east and the west. The majority of the property is an oak woodland and part of the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor. The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) would acquire the property to be used for public open space and conservation purposes.

The proposed Project consists of the acquisition of approximately 33 acres of land in the Verdugo Mountains area of the City of Glendale within the Fifth Supervisorial District. The total estimated cost is \$6.1 million. Funding sources include the requested \$2.5 million in Proposition A Excess Funds, \$2.5 million in State funds through a grant to the City of Glendale, and \$1.1 million in Federal funds through a Community Project Development grant.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District:

- Find that the proposed actions are not subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that the actions do not meet the definition of a project according to Section 15378 (b)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines because the actions are continuing administrative activities of government grants;
- Allocate an amount not to exceed \$2.5 million in Proposition A Excess Funds, available to the Fifth Supervisorial District pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) for the Mountains Oaks Acquisition Project; and
- 3. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or her designee, in her capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award grants when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grants as of the date of award and pursuant to guidelines in the Proposition A Grants Administration Manual for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects; otherwise funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

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