CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 113-15

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA TO ADOPT A NO ALPHABET SOUP (ACRONYMS) PRACTICE

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond supports and promotes efforts to make city government more transparent and “user-friendly” for the public; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond often uses acronyms such as UFAC, PMCAC, BCDC, EBMUD, WCCTAC, MEA, CCA, and BSCC in official documents and at public meetings, public citizens may not fully understand what those acronyms mean; and

WHEREAS, the public can feel left out when they do not understand the acronyms typically used at Council meetings; and

WHEREAS, adopting a no acronym policy will make the workings of government easier to understand.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Richmond hereby adopts a practice of not using acronyms and abbreviations at City Council and Committee meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council Members, as well as department directors and representatives who make presentations at City-sponsored public meetings, to refrain from using acronyms and abbreviations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the all written materials for City Council meetings fully define all acronyms and abbreviations on a reference list provided by the City Clerk.
I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held November 24, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Mayor Butt.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Bates and Vice Mayor Myrick.

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PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:
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TOM BUTT
Mayor

Approved as to form:
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BRUCE GOODMILLER
City Attorney

State of California
County of Contra Costa : ss.
City of Richmond

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 113-15, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on November 24, 2015.

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Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond