RESOLUTION NO. 90-16

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE T, WCCUSD PARCEL TAX RENEWAL

WHEREAS, the West Contra Costa Unified School District Board of Education has placed a parcel tax renewal (Measure T) on the November 8, 2016 ballot; and

WHEREAS, Measure T renews the current parcel tax at 7.2 cents per square foot of building space; and requires independent citizen oversight; and

WHEREAS, property owners who are senior citizens or disabled are exempt from paying the parcel tax; and

WHEREAS, approximately 13,089 children who live in the City of Richmond attend public schools in West Contra Costa Unified School District; and

WHEREAS, voters in the City of Richmond and throughout the West Contra Costa Unified School District have supported public schools with a parcel tax since 2004; and

WHEREAS, Measure T aligns with the City of Richmond’s commitment to enhancing college pathways, a college graduating culture and supporting students through the Richmond Promise; and

WHEREAS, the $9.8 million invested by local property owners each year goes to support lower class sizes, preparing our children for college and career pathways, expanding library services, providing after school programs to keep children away from gangs and drugs, and attracting and retaining high quality teachers; and

WHEREAS, approval of Measure T would provide the public school students of the City of Richmond and the West Contra Costa Unified School District with a stable source of funding that the state cannot take away for eight additional years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Richmond formally endorses Measure T, the WCCUSD Parcel Tax Renewal on the November 8, 2016 General Election ballot.
I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held September 20, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:  Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, McLaughlin, Myrick, Pimplé, and Mayor Butt.
NOES:  None.
ABSTENTIONS:  None.
ABSENT:  Vice Mayor Martinez.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:
TOM BUTT
Mayor

Approved as to form:
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. 90-16, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on September 20, 2016.

Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond