Resolved, that the governing board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) hereby:

1. FINDS that the MRCA programs are national and international models for combining preservation efforts with local community involvement; and

2. FINDS that participation in the NAI International Heritage Interpretation Conference, held in Suncheon Bay South Korea April 18-23 will allow for the exchange of ideas and facilitate working partnerships between the MRCA and established interpretive programs, park agencies and universities on the topic of “Bridging the Gap: Interpretation Links Urban People and Nature,” a topic on which the MRCA is eminently qualified; and

3. FINDS that MRCA staff has submitted to present on both partnerships with urban partners and on the experiences of urban youth in outdoor leadership development programs which will increase professional development of staff and contribute to the value of the conference by using examples of MRCA successes as case studies; and

4. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; and

5. ADOPTS the staff report dated April 2, 2014, and

6. AUTHORIZES expenditures not to exceed $5,000 of unrestricted funds.
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 2nd day of April, 2014.

Date:

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Executive Officer