RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING A GRANT REQUEST TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY FROM THE CONSERVANCY FUND FOR TRANSITION AND MOBILIZATION COSTS NECESSARY FOR THE CONTINUANCE OF EDUCATION AND INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES VIA THE MOUNTAINS EDUCATION PROGRAM, A 501(c) 3 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority hereby:

1. FINDS that education and interpretive services are part of the core MRCA mission.

2. FINDS that the Mountains Education Program (MEP) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded to provide interpretive programs and services on MRCA parkland.

3. FINDS that the MRCA can continue to provide valuable education and interpretive services through its partnership with MEP in a cost effective and consistent manner.

4. FINDS that a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy ("Conservancy") to the MRCA for transition and mobilization costs will allow the MRCA to provide seamless continuance of Conservancy-funded programs designed to support the Conservancy’s strategic objectives.

5. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated May 4, 2016.

6. AUTHORIZES the submission of a grant application to the Conservancy and receipt of potential grant from the Conservancy Fund of $50,000.

7. AUTHORIZES such budget amendments that may be necessary to implement these actions.

8. AUTHORIZES the Executive Officer to do any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution and any recommendations made by the Governing Board.
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 4th day of May, 2016.