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

1. FINDS that Community Nature Connection provides leadership and job training for urban youth in the Los Angeles Area and has expertise in outdoor programming for under-resourced audiences.;

2. FINDS that a cooperative project between NPS, MRCA, and Community Nature Connection (CNC), formerly the Division of Interpretation of MRCA, called "Provide Youth Training and Work Experience through Habitat Restoration at Peter Strauss Ranch," works for the purpose of implementing a joint conservation and youth service learning (employment) project.;

3. FINDS that the primary purpose of the project is to provide opportunities for urban youth and volunteers from Los Angeles and surrounding communities to learn about the environment.

4. FINDS that a reciprocal service agreement between the MRCA and Community Nature Connection contemplates and authorizes such assignment of operations and funding for education, recreation and interpretive programs; and

5. FINDS that Community Nature Connection has been previously authorized as the Project Manager of this grant by the MRCA; and

6. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated February 7, 2018;

7. AUTHORIZES the assignment of funds to Community Nature Connection of the budget of $51,710 for a 2-year program; and
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.

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Chair

AYES:

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ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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 7th day of February, 2018.

Date:  

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Executive Officer