MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 6, 2018 — Agenda Item VI(b)

Resolution No. 18-79

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY ASSIGNING OPERATIONS AND FUNDING OF WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS OUTDOOR CLASSROOM PROGRAMS TO COMMUNITY NATURE CONNECTION PER THE RECIPROCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

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

- 1. FINDS that the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom programs are an important mechanism for teaching youth about the natural and cultural history of the Santa Monica Mountains in keeping with the MRCA mission;
- 2. FINDS that the docent training program, the field trip programs for Title I schools and the interpretive programs for the public are in keeping with the priorities set by both the MRCA and the National Park Service for Franklin Canyon Park;
- 3. FINDS that assignment and operation of these programs by Community Nature Connection is understood and supported by the National Park Service;
- 4. FINDS that the reciprocal service agreement with Community Nature Connection allows for the continuation of this valuable program previously operated by the MRCA Division of Interpretation;
- 5. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act;
- 6. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated June 6, 2018;
- 7. AUTHORIZES assignment of the annual appropriation from the National Park Service Community Nature Connection in an amount not to exceed \$193,500 for federal fiscal year 2018-19;
- 8. AUTHORIZES any budget amendments as necessary; and
- 9. AUTHORIZES the Executive Officer or his designee to do any and all acts

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necessary to carry out this resolution and any recommendations made by the Governing Board.

Chair

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ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the governing board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 6th day of June, 2018.

Date:

Executive Officer