RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF PROPOSITION 12 FUNDS TO THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT RAMIREZ CANYON PARK, CITY OF MALIBU

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to government agencies pursuant to Sections 33204.2 and 33204.27 of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, The State of California has authorized expenditure of funds from the Safe Neighborhoods Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000 (Proposition 12), Public Resources Code Section 5096.353, to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for capital outlay and grants for the acquisition from a willing seller, enhancement, and restoration of natural lands, improvements of public recreation facilities, and for grants to local agencies and nonprofit organizations to increase access to parks and recreational opportunities for underserved urban communities; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 16727 provides for use of funds for the costs of construction or acquisition of capital assets. “Capital assets” includes major maintenance, reconstruction, demolition for purposes of reconstruction of facilities, and retrofitting work that is ordinarily done no more often than ones every 5 to 15 years or expenditures that continue or enhance the useful life of the capital asset. “Capital assets” also include equipment with an expected useful life of two years or more; and

WHEREAS, The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority has made a request for a grant from Proposition 12, Article 8, Section 5096.353; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project is consistent with the goals set forth in Proposition 12, Article 1, Sections 5096.302(e) and 5096.303(c); and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the Conservancy’s Strategic Objectives to implement the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan, increase resource stewardship and educational/interpretative capabilities within the Zone, and develop long term capital improvement and maintenance plans; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan; and
WHEREAS, The proposed action is being taken subject to approval of the grant for compliance with the General Obligation Bond Law; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project protects land and water resources; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); Now

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan as adopted by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.

2. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives.

3. FINDS that the proposed project implements the goals stated in Proposition 12.

4. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

5. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated October 26, 2015 for this item.

6. ADOPTS all of the preceding whereas clauses.

7. AUTHORIZES a grant of Proposition 12 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority in the amount of $400,000 for Ramirez Canyon Park Capital Improvements, City of Malibu.

8. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Chairperson to execute the grant agreement and to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution; without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such authority shall include those provisions that he shall determine in the exclusive exercise of his discretion are necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution and to comply with the policies of the Conservancy, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of state law and regulations.

~ End of Resolution ~
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 2nd day of November, 2015 at Pacific Palisades, California.

Dated:

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                              Executive Director