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RESOLUTION NO. RES-06-0134

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH DECLARING A "SHELTER CRISIS"; SUSPENDING APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF LOCAL LAW, INCLUDING THOSE CONTAINED IN THE CITY'S ZONING ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS; AND AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OF A WINTER SHELTER AT 1500 E. ANAHEIM STREET, IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, BETWEEN THE DATES OF DECEMBER 1, 2006 AND MARCH 15, 2007, INCLUSIVE

WHEREAS, the purpose and intent of this resolution is to provide shelter and supportive services for the homeless in the City of Long Beach during the winter months by maintaining such services at, and allowing the use of, the real property located at 1500 E. Anaheim Street, in the City of Long Beach, for the purpose of a homeless shelter between the dates of December 1, 2006 and March 15, 2007, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code section 8698.1 et seq., the City Council hereby finds and declares that there exists a "shelter crisis" in that a significant number of persons within the City are without the ability to obtain shelter during the months of inclement weather, and that the situation has resulted in, and will continue to result in, a threat to the health and safety of those persons; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. That the provisions of any state or local regulatory statute, regulation or ordinance, including but not limited to the City's zoning regulations prescribing standards of use, housing, health or safety shall be suspended with respect

1 to the above-described winter shelter to the extent that strict compliance would in any  
2 way prevent, hinder or delay the operation of the winter shelter during the declared  
3 shelter crisis; and

4           Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any other provisions of local law, the City  
5 Manager is hereby authorized and directed to take all steps as may be reasonably  
6 necessary or appropriate to facilitate the operation of a winter shelter between the  
7 dates of December 1, 2006 and March 15, 2007, inclusive, which shelter is to be  
8 located at 1500 E. Anaheim Street, in the City of Long Beach.

9           Sec. 3. Any and all provisions of the City's Zoning Ordinance and  
10 regulations, which otherwise might regulate, apply to or govern the continued operation  
11 of the winter shelter, are hereby suspended and declared inapplicable to the proposed  
12 winter homeless shelter.

13           Sec. 4. The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to  
14 develop such rules and regulations related to health and safety standards which the  
15 City Manager deems necessary and appropriate to protect the public health, safety and  
16 welfare of the residents of the winter shelter and those residents and/or businesses  
17 which may be affected by the operation of said shelter. To the extent applicable to  
18 those homeless individuals who occupy the shelter, such rules and regulations may be  
19 posted in at least one conspicuous location on the site.

20           Sec. 5. Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Public  
21 Resources Code section 21000 et seq., the Council hereby finds that this project is  
22 exempt from further environmental review under CEQA Guidelines 15301.

23           Sec. 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by  
24 the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

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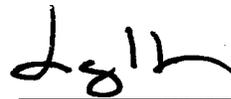
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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of November 21, 2006, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: B. Lowenthal, S. Lowenthal, O'Donnell,  
Richardson, Reyes Uranga, Lerch.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: DeLong, Schipske, Gabelich.



City Clerk