

PROCLAMATION NO. _____

A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Pasadena Ordering Implementation of a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage Plan Pursuant to Chapter 13.10 of the Pasadena Municipal Code (“City of Pasadena Water Waste Prohibitions and Water Supply Shortage Plans”).

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2014, after a duly noticed public hearing, the City Council determined that a water supply shortage exists; and

WHEREAS, extreme drought conditions have severely impacted water supplies in California; and

WHEREAS, pumping restrictions in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta have reduced water deliveries to Southern California via the State Water Project; and

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board made a determination on July 15, 2014, that an emergency exists due to severe drought conditions, and adopted emergency regulations that require water agencies within the state to impose numerous conservation measures and water waste prohibitions, including the implementation of water shortage contingency plans that include mandatory restrictions on the number of watering days; and

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted expanded emergency water conservation regulations on March 17, 2015, that include the prohibition of irrigation of turf 48-hours following a measurable precipitation; and

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted expanded emergency water conservation regulations on May 5, 2015, that require the Pasadena Water and Power Department to reduce its water

demand by 28% from June 1, 2015 through February 28, 2016 versus the same months in calendar year 2013; and

WHEREAS, Section 13.10.035 of the Pasadena Municipal Code authorizes the City Council to implement a water shortage plan by public proclamation to become effective immediately upon publication.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Pasadena hereby finds, determines and proclaims as follows:

1. A Level 2 Water Supply Shortage Plan is hereby ordered to take effect pursuant to Chapter 13.10, Section 13.10.045 of the Pasadena Municipal Code and the following water conservation requirements shall be in effect:

A. Limits on Watering Days: Watering or irrigating of lawn, landscape or other vegetated area is limited to two (2) days per week from April 1 through October 31, and no more than one (1) day per week from November 1 through March 31, on a schedule established and posted by the City of Pasadena Water and Power Department ("Department"). This restriction does not apply to landscape irrigation zones that exclusively use low flow drip type irrigation systems where no emitter produces more than two (2) gallons of water per hour. This restriction also does not apply to watering or irrigating by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, or by use of a hand-held hose equipped with a water shut-off nozzle or device; for very short periods of time for the express purpose of adjusting or

repairing an irrigation system; or for maintenance of vegetation, including fruit trees and shrubs, intended for consumption.

B. Obligation to Fix Leaks, Breaks or

Malfunctions: All leaks, breaks or other malfunctions in the water user's plumbing or distribution system shall be repaired within forty-eight (48) hours of notification by the Department unless other arrangements are made with the Department.

C. Limits on Filling Ornamental Lakes or Ponds:

Filling or re-filling ornamental lakes or ponds is prohibited, except to the extent needed to sustain aquatic life.

D. Prohibition on irrigation during periods of rain: The irrigation of turf within 48-hours following a measurable precipitation is prohibited.

E. Prohibition on the use of potable water for washing hard surfaces: Prohibit washing down hard or paved surfaces using potable water, except where necessary to alleviate safety or sanitary hazards

2. City personnel are hereby authorized to take all necessary and appropriate steps to implement the Level 2 Water Supply Shortage Plan, including without limitation publication of this Proclamation as provided in Section 13.10.035 of the Pasadena Municipal Code.

3. The Level 2 Water Supply Shortage shall remain in effect until further order of the City Council.

4. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately upon publication.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the 1st day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Approved as to form:

Mark Jomsky, CMC
City Clerk

Lisa Hosey
Deputy City Attorney