Attachment D Proposed Resolution by Councilmember Rivas

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the City of Pasadena maintains a federal legislative agenda;

WHEREAS the City of Pasadena rarely, but sometimes, takes positions on issues of international significance, where those issues demonstrably affect the interests of Pasadenans;

WHEREAS the ongoing war in Gaza has resulted in a humanitarian crisis in the region;

WHEREAS many Pasadenans have loved ones, friends, and family in Israel and Gaza;

WHEREAS all Americans have a national security interest in promoting peace throughout the world, including the Middle East;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Pasadena, California, shall include in its federal legislative agenda support for renewed efforts by the United States government to negotiate and facilitate a lasting peace in Israel and Gaza.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Pasadena, California, calls upon our United States Congressional delegation, both in the Senate and House of Representatives, to:

- 1) urge the Biden administration to undertake urgent and vigorous diplomatic efforts to negotiate and facilitate a bilateral de-escalation and ceasefire to end the current violence; and
- 2) urge the Biden administration to promptly send and facilitate the immediate entry of humanitarian assistance, at the scale needed, into Gaza.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Pasadena, California supports all of its residents and condemns all forms of racism, bigotry, and discrimination, including antisemitism and Islamophobia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council directs City staff to deliver copies of this resolution to the President of the United States and each member of our Congressional delegation.