

Introduced by: _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA
EXEMPTING QUALIFYING EATON FIRE REPAIRS FROM
CONSTRUCTION TAX**

The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The Construction Tax imposed by Chapter 4.32 of the Pasadena Municipal Code shall not be levied or collected, and may be refunded, for a permit to repair structure damage by the 2025 Eaton Fire where the project meet all of the following requirements:

1. The property is located within officially designated evacuation zones; and
2. The property is residential (single-family or multifamily) and was owner-occupied as of January 7, 2025, and the same owner (or a member of the same owner's family) is the permit applicant. For multifamily properties, only owner-occupied units are eligible for fee waivers; and
3. The application must submit a professional report verifying fire-related smoke or ash damage that is acceptable to the Director of the Planning and Community Development Department or designee; and
4. The repair is necessary to restore the home to its pre-fire condition, and is not an elective remodel or expansion; and
5. The property on which the repair is made cannot be sold to a non-family member prior to building and safety's final inspection approval.

If the owner sells the property to a non-family member prior to building and safety's final inspection approval, construction tax must be paid within 90 days of the sale date.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this ordinance, an owner's "family" or "family member" means one or more persons related to the owner by blood, marriage, or adoption, or one or more persons living with the owner as a Single Housekeeping Unit (as defined in Chapter 17.80) in a dwelling unit.

SECTION 3. If any subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The

City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this section, and each and every subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof not declared invalid or unconstitutional, without regard to whether any portion of the ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication.

Signed and approved this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Victor M. Gordo
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting held this _____ day of _____ 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Date Published:

Mark Jomsky
City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Caroline Monroy
Assistant City Attorney