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Resolution No. 10-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY SUPPORTING THE SAFE CLEAN AND RELIABLE DRINKING WATER SUPPLY ACT OF 2010

WHEREAS, California's water system is outdated and straining to meet the needs of its residents, farms, businesses and environment. Designed 30 years ago to serve 16 million residents, our water system now serves more than 38 million; and

WHEREAS, unless action is taken, experts warn that our state will face continued water shortages, the potential for catastrophic failure of our water delivery system, and environmental collapse in areas vital to drinking water and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, immediate investments are needed to repair and upgrade our network of waterways, levees and other water infrastructure, clean up our sources of drinking water, increase local supplies, expand conservation efforts, and restore key ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, <u>The Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010</u> is an \$11.14 billion bond on the November 2010 ballot that would provide funding to repair California's water system; and

WHEREAS, voter approval of this measure will provide funding for programs throughout the state, including Los Angeles and Ventura counties, to increase water supply and reliability, address ecological problems, add operational flexibility to the state's water storage and delivery system, clean contaminated water supplies, improve the physical infrastructure of local water systems, and expand water recycling and conservation, and for environmental restoration and protection; 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, the Rim of the Valley Corridor Plan, and the San Gabriel and Los Angles River Watershed and Open Space 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 action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

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- 4. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated April 26, 2010 for this item.
- 5. ADOPTS all of the preceding whereas clauses.
- 7. ADOPTS a position supporting The Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010
- 8. AUTHORIZES the Chairperson 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 forgoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 26th day of April, 2010, at Los Angeles, California.

Dated.			