California Regional Water Quality Control Board - Santa Ana Region

Resolution Number R8-2022-0061

Resolution of Appreciation

for

Joe Kerr

Whereas:

Joe Kerr ably served as a Member of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (Santa Ana Water Board) from June 2020 through November 2022, having been appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom; and

Joe Kerr served the Santa Ana Water Board as Vice Chair from February 2022 to November 2022, and

Joe Kerr played a critical role in the Board's major accomplishments during his tenure, including, but not limited to, adoption of the Huntington Beach Desalination Facility Permit, Basin Plan Amendments for Salt and Nutrient Management Program, Elsinore and Upper Temescal Valley Groundwater Management Zones, and Newport Bay Watershed Fecal Coliform Total Maximum Daily Loads; and

Joe Kerr's leadership on the Santa Ana Water Board resulted in fair and equitable enforcement actions, including adoption of a Cleanup and Abatement Order for United El Segundo, Inc. and My Montecito, Inc., Administrative Civil Liability Orders for Cham-Cal Engineering Company and ALCA Machine Industries, as well as oversight of the wastewater treatment plant expansion and upgrades mandated for the City of Beaumont; and

Joe Kerr's expertise as a Fire Captain in Orange County provided an effective and unique perspective when considering the many diverse regulatory actions taken to address water quality and supply concerns; and

Joe Kerr was an engaged and knowledgeable Vice Chair and Board Member of the Santa Ana Water Board who generously gave his time and talent to support Board activities and encouraged a culture of mutual respect in which collaboration with stakeholders was achieved; and

Joe Kerr's contributions during his tenure on the Santa Ana Water Board have benefited residents of the Santa Ana Region and will continue to do so long into the future.

Therefore, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, hereby adopts Resolution Number R8-2022-0061 and resolves to:

Commend Joe Kerr for his service as a Vice Chair and Member of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, from 2020 through 2022, and

Wish the best for Joe Kerr in his future endeavors.

Kristine Murray, Chair

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