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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 315643

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, PURSUANT TO SECTION 25 OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 SALARY ORDINANCE, ADOPTING AN AMENDED CAFETERIA BENEFITS PLAN FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES FOR JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 AND ESTABLISHING FLEXIBLE BENEFIT ALLOTMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Salary Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2025 (Salary Ordinance) was adopted by the Council of the City of San Diego (City Council) on April 25, 2023 (O-21636); and

WHEREAS, section 25 of the Salary Ordinance provides that the City Council may establish additional benefit programs, upon the Mayor's recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council initially established the City of San Diego Flexible Benefits Plan (Flexible Benefits Plan), effective October 1, 1984, and the City Council wishes to adopt the amended and restated Flexible Benefits Plan for eligible employees in Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Flexible Benefits Plan is intended to provide eligible employees a choice between certain taxable and nontaxable benefits offered under it; and

WHEREAS, the Flexible Benefits Plan is as a cafeteria plan under section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code, and must be interpreted consistently with that section and related guidance issued by the Internal Revenue Service; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also wishes to adopt the Flexible Benefits Plan allotments or credits for eligible employees to fund health insurance and other benefits and

WHEREAS, under the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (MMBA), the City must meet and confer with its recognized employee organizations over the annual Flexible Benefits Plan allotments that the City provides its represented employees; and

WHEREAS, the Flexible Benefit Plan allotments for the City's represented employees for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 have been negotiated, approved, and set forth in the Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) between the City and all six of its recognized employee organizations: Deputy City Attorneys Association of San Diego, by San Diego Resolution R-314968 (June 12, 2023); Local 127, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, by San Diego Resolution R-314969 (June 12, 2023); San Diego Municipal Employees' Association, by San Diego Resolution R-314970 (June 12, 2023); California Teamsters Local 911, by San Diego Resolution R-315584 (June 4, 2024), San Diego City Firefighters, International Association of Firefighters Local 145, by San Diego Resolution R-315582 (June 11, 2024); and San Diego Police Officers Association, by San Diego Resolution R-315582 (June 4, 2024); and

WHEREAS, the City Council also wishes to approve the allotments for the City's unrepresented employees who are eligible for benefits under the City's Flexible Benefits Plan, adopting the Mayor's recommendations; and

WHEREAS, section 7.7 of the Flexible Benefits Plan (Timing of Contributions) must now be amended to reflect changes to the City's pay periods in Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to amend section 7.7 (Timing of Contributions) of the Flexible Benefits Plan to reflect the changes to the City's pay periods in Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the funds appropriate for the Flexible Benefits Plan for Fiscal Year 2025 are set forth in the annual Appropriation Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney has drafted this resolution based on the information provided by City staff, including information provided by affected third parties and

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verified by City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete, true, and

accurate; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to section 25 of the Salary Ordinance, the City Council

adopts the amended Flexible Benefits Plan, which is Attachment A to this Resolution, and which

is also on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 315643, for all

designated eligible employees for Fiscal Year 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council adopts the allotments or credits for

flexible benefits for eligible employees under the Flexible Benefits Plan for Fiscal Year, as set

forth in the Attachments B and C to this Resolution, and the amounts in Attachments B and C are

the total amount of flexible benefits allotted for each eligible employee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the Mayor or his

designee to take any and all action necessary to provide the health care coverage required under

the Affordable Care Act and related federal regulations, for those employees who are not eligible

employees under the Flexible Benefits Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to execute

agreements with the appropriate organizations providing the benefits designated in the Flexible

Benefits Plan.

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June 5, 2024

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