J-Km # 104 Sub-B 6/17/25 (R-2025-624)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 316276

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 2 3 2075

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH LORETTA GRAHAM AND RATIFYING THE ASSOCIATED PAYMENT.

## **RECITALS**

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

- A. Article 21(D) of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of San Diego (City) and the San Diego Municipal Employees Association (MEA), titled Registration Pay, lists the add-on pays associated with specific job classifications. Employees are eligible for these add-on pays upon submitting proof of valid registration or certification (licensure) issued by the appropriate State of California agency.
- B. To facilitate this process, City departments created an add-on pay request form for employees to submit proof of licensure. However, the form specified that employees would not receive add-on pay for periods before the form was submitted and approved by a payroll specialist.
- C. MEA maintained that Article 21(D) did not include any forfeiture provision that would negate an employee's entitlement to add-on pay due to delays in submitting proof of licensure.
- D. As a result of late form submissions, employees were denied add-on pay for periods in which the City had no proof of their licensure, even if they later submitted documentation confirming they had been licensed all along.

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E. City employee Loretta Graham did not receive add-on pay during the period in

which the City had no proof of licensure. She has claimed her eligibility for retroactive

compensation for that period (Claim).

F. In closed session on June 2, 2025, the City Council authorized the settlement of

the Claim and ratified payment in an amount consistent with the amount set forth below. The

decision was made by the following vote: Yeas - Districts 1, 5, 6, 8, and 9; Nays - None;

Absent - Districts 2, 3, 4, and 7.

G. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information

provided by City staff, including information provided by affected third parties and verified by

City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

**ACTION ITEMS** 

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The Mayor or his designee is authorized to enter into a settlement agreement with

City employee Loretta Graham, ratifying the payment of \$55,307.23 associated with the Claim.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

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Miguel Merrell

Deputy City Attorney

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May 28, 2025

Or.Dept: Human Resources

Doc. No. 4076276

I certify that the Council of the City of San	n Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on
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