RESOLUTION NO. 20-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA SUPPORTING MEASURE J, CHARTER OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA (REVISED)

Whereas, the County Board of Supervisors placed Measure J - Charter of San Bernardino County, California (Revised) on the November 3, 2020 ballot; and

Whereas, Measure J would adopt a revised San Bernardino County Charter. The revised Charter would be more streamlined, delete obsolete and redundant provisions, modernize the Charter, and require the Board of Supervisors convene a Charter Review Committee every 10 years; and

Whereas, the revised Charter requires that the County maintain a discretionary stockpile of supplies and equipment for a disaster or emergency and that orders issued by the County Public Health Officer to the public at large be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors; and

Whereas, the revised Charter will change the process for the filling of vacancies. Currently, the Board can appoint someone to fill a vacant Supervisor position or other countywide elected office until an election can occur at the next general election. If the Board takes no action within 30 days, the Governor makes the appointment. The revised Charter would allow the Board to make an appointment or call a special election within 60 days of the vacancy. If no action is taken by the Board, a special election is automatically held for the remainder of the term. The revised Charter will allow for mail-only ballot elections to fill these vacancies; and

Whereas, the current Charter sets Supervisor compensation (salary and benefits) at the average of total compensation for Supervisors in Riverside, Orange, and San Diego counties. The revised Charter will set the base salary at a level equal to 80% of the salary of a Superior Court Judge and provide that Supervisors receive the same benefits given to County exempt employees (department heads). The revised Charter will provide that any future increases in salary or benefits will only go into effect if approved by the Board of Supervisors at a public hearing. This provision would apply to Supervisors elected after the new Charter is approved; and

Whereas, the revised Charter will change the term starting date for Supervisors from the first Monday of December after the election to the first Monday after the first day of January after the election and provide for the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer, County Counsel and Clerk of the Board; and

Whereas, the revised Charter will also provide for the establishment of the following by ordinance: appointment of Chair and Vice Chair; removal of Chair; a redistricting commission that is advisory or independent; the regulation of campaign finance and enforcement procedures; lobbyist transparency; establishment of Boards and Commissions; training of

elected officers and employees; a procedure for review of the County Code on a periodic basis; establishment of a personnel system; and the ability to establish rules of order for meetings; and

Whereas, this Measure was placed on the ballot by a vote of the Board of Supervisors; and

Whereas, a yes vote by a majority of the voters on this Measure will replace the existing Charter with the revised Charter.

Now Therefore, be it resolved, that the Town of Yucca Valley does hereby support Measure J as consistent with the Town Council's 2020 Legislative Priorities, and encourages a yes vote on this measure.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council and signed by the Mayor and attested by the Town Clerk this 20th day of October, 2020.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TOWN ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY

I, <u>Lesley R. Copeland</u>, Town Clerk of the Town of Yucca Valley, California hereby

certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 20-58 as duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the

Town Council of the Town of Yucca Valley, California at a meeting thereof held on the

20th day of October 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Abel, Denison, Lombardo, Schooler, and Mayor

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Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Lesley R. Copeland, CMC

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TOWN CLERK