

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (N.C.S.)**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SALINAS AND THE MONTEREY COUNTY LITERACY CAMPAIGN**

**WHEREAS**, the Monterey County Literacy Campaign proposed a partnership with the City of Salinas to retrofit playground equipment in a Salinas park with literacy panels that would benefit monolingual Spanish speakers; and

**WHEREAS**, the project is modeled on a similar project in Oakland, California which encourages parents and other caregivers to interact verbally with their children as they play; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hebbbron Park was identified as a good fit for this project because it is located in a neighborhood with predominately- monolingual Spanish speakers and because of it's proximity to the Hebbbron Family Center where a bilingual early literacy program exists and bilingual playgroups are offered ; and

**WHEREAS**, the playground at Hebbbron Park is in need of repair and the Literacy Campaign has agreed to cover the retrofit costs including the installation of literacy panels in an amount not to exceed \$20,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the City agrees to install literacy panels at a second City-owned park or recreation facility at the City's sole cost and expense.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Salinas and the Monterey County Literacy Campaign is hereby approved and the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into such agreement on behalf of the City.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 24th day of October, 2017, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**APPROVED:**

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Joe Gunter, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk