

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (N.C.S.)

A RESOLUTION INDICATING THE CITY’S SUPPORT FOR SB 5, THE CALIFORNIA DROUGHT, WATER, PARKS, CLIMATE, COASTAL PROTECTION AND OUTDOOR ACCESS FOR ALL ACT OF 2018 AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ITERATION TITLED OTHERWISE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT IS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR ON THE JUNE 2018 STATEWIDE BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the Legislature adopted and the Governor signed SB 5, a \$4 Billion General Obligation Bond to be placed on the June 2018 ballot entitled the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 represents the first legislatively authorized debt instrument for parks, resources, and environmental improvements since 2002; and

WHEREAS, investments in California’s urban, suburban and rural park and resources-related landscapes promote the notion of community and provide health, environmental and aesthetic benefits; and

WHEREAS, cities are eligible for at least \$1.69 billion in funding for parks, water, and climate and environmental programs; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 contains \$200 million in per capita funding to assist all of California’s communities in underwriting priority park-related improvements; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 includes an additional \$15 million for grants to cities and districts in urbanized counties providing park and recreation services within jurisdictions of 200,000 or less in population; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 contains an additional \$40 million which will be available in block grant awards for communities that self-tax for park related improvements; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 invests \$725 million in grants for the creation and expansion of safe neighborhood parks in park-poor neighborhoods under the Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Act of 2008’s; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 invests no less than \$1 billion in California’s most economically challenged communities, eradicating blight and promoting greater access to the outdoors and health-related pursuits; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 expends \$200 million on California’s State Park system, addressing a greater than \$1 billion backlog in deferred maintenance which will translate into greater tourism and visitorship opportunities in adjacent communities; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 invests \$30 million in trail network improvements promoting non-motorized recreational and commuter opportunities throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 expends hundreds of millions on other important investments in resource-related infrastructure including California's rivers, coast, and other waterways; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 invests hundreds of millions toward combatting global warming through investments in urban greening projects, promoting healthy forests and carbon farming applications; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 underwrites \$250 million in investments in improving local water systems, and providing safe and reliable drinking water to all Californians; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 spends \$80 million in competitive grants for treatment and remediation to promote access to safe drinking water in some of California's most economically challenged communities; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 underwrites improvements in the state flood management systems, armoring against calamities that beset the state including Oroville and elsewhere.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Salinas does hereby support SB 5, the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 and any subsequent iteration titled otherwise by the Secretary of State that is scheduled to appear on the June 2018 statewide ballot.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of March, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

Joe Gunter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk