ATTACHMENT A: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION CLIMATE SMART LAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM: CAPACITY BUILDING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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WHEREAS, grant funds are made available on a competitive basis by the California Department of Conservation Climate Smart Land Management Program; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds can be used to support California's natural and working lands as a critical sector in the state's effort to achieve carbon neutrality and build resilience to the impacts of climate change; and

WHEREAS, in October 2020, Statewide Executive Order N-82-20 called for the restoration of natural and landscape health to deliver on climate change goals and other critical priorities, including improving public health and safety, securing our food and water supplies, achieving greater equity across California, and set a goal of conserving at least 30% of the state's land and coastal waters by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Working Lands Climate Smart Strategy and Pathways to 30x30 strategy help to implement Executive Over N-82-20 and expand climate action, which has been called for in California's Climate Change Scoping Plan and California's 2021 Climate Adaptation Strategy; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2011 (1), the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted the Resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCERNING THE COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE OF THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN and approved the Implementation Plan which directed staff to develop and implement the Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement (PACE) program which compensates landowners for voluntarily limiting future development on their land; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2022 (6), the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a Pilot Carbon Farming Program to support land management techniques that increase the amount of carbon stored in plants and soils and return to the Board with options for program implementation, including a list of identified pilot projects; and

WHEREAS, procedures established by the California Department of Conservation require a party seeking grant funds to certify by resolution the approval to apply for, accept grant funds, and provide authorization to enter into and perform under the terms of the Climate Smart Land Management Grant Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego:

1. Authorizes the Director of Planning & Development Services, or their designee, to enter into a grant agreement to accept the award of grant funding from California Department of Conservation Climate Smart Land Management Program: Capacity Building and Technical Assistance and to, execute and submit all grant-related documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, annual extensions, revisions, payment requests, and/or any agreements and/or memorandums of understanding with other entities as co-applicants, participants, and/or partners in the application and spending of grant funds received, that do

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not materially impact or alter the services or funding level and may be necessary for completion of the grant deliverables.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY Claudia G. Silva, County Counsel

By: Suedy Alfaro, Senior Deputy