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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, OFFERING A REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE IDENTITY OF, AND THE APPREHENSION OF, THE PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF JANICE LORRAINE BURNEY.

WHEREAS, the City of Riverside may offer and pay rewards as authorized by Section 53069.5 of the Government Code of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, Section 53069.5 specifically authorizes the City to offer and pay a reward, the amount thereof to be determined by the City for information leading to the determination of the identify of, and the apprehension of, any person whose willful misconduct results in injury or death to any person; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2001, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 19873 approving the Riverside Police Department's Reward Program and authorizing its implementation; and

WHEREAS, on the morning of February 29, 2016, in a parking lot on Blaine Street, decedent Janice Lorraine BURNEY was found unconscious and not breathing with major bodily injuries having been run over by a vehicle. The driver failed to report the incident or render aid and fled the scene; and

WHEREAS, Ms. BURNEY was pronounced dead at the scene; and

WHEREAS, investigators with the Riverside Police Department have worked tirelessly to solve this unsolved crime; and

WHEREAS, investigators believe that there may be witnesses with information to this crime who have not yet come forward; and

WHEREAS, the offer would be consistent with and is taken for the immediate protection of public peace, health, and safety; and

WHEREAS, the offense was of such a nature or committed under special circumstances that as a matter of public policy, the City of Riverside should provide a reward as an added inducement or incentive for persons to come forth with information leading to the arrest of the perpetrator(s); and

WHEREAS, the offense was especially heinous, atrocious, or cruel and manifested exceptional depravity.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside,
2 California, that a reward in the amount of \$10,000 is hereby approved and authorized for information
3 leading to the determination of the identity of, and the apprehension of, any person responsible for the
4 acts stated above.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the offer of reward by the City shall be effective for a
6 period of sixty (60) days or for the term of any extension thereof which may be approved by the City
7 Council prior to the termination of the offer of reward. An offer of reward by the City shall terminate
8 by payment, by revocation, or by withdrawal thereof by the City Council by resolution, motion, or
9 council report adopted by a majority vote of the City Council or by expiration of the time period set
10 forth in the resolution offering the reward or any extension thereof which was approved by the City
11 Council while the offer was otherwise effective.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all decisions with respect to the relevance or materiality
13 of information received, whether or not utilized in establishing the determination of the identity of,
14 and the apprehension of, any one or more persons provides a basis for the payment of a reward, are
15 within the sole discretion of the City Council.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all determinations effective, or dispositive of the offer of
17 reward, shall be within the sole discretion of the City Council and shall be final.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 53069.5, the person or persons
19 responsible for the death of Janice Lorraine BURNEY shall be liable for the amount of any reward
20 paid pursuant to this Section and if the person is an unemancipated minor, his or her parent or guardian
21 shall also be liable for the amount.

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ADOPTED by the City Council this ____ day of _____, 2017.

William R. Bailey, III
Mayor of the City of Riverside

Attest:

City Clerk of the City of Riverside

I, Colleen J. Nicol, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced and adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at its meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2017, by the following vote, to wit:

- Ayes:
- Noes:
- Absent:
- Abstain:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Riverside, California, this ____ day of _____, 2017.

City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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