

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE,  
3 CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING CONTINUED FUNDING FOR THE  
4 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL  
5 RESOURCES' COOPERATIVE EXTENSION IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY  
6 TO POSITIVELY IMPACT THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE'S FOOD SYSTEM  
7 AND AGRICULTURE ECONOMY

8 WHEREAS, the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources' Cooperative  
9 Extension (UCANR/UCCE) is an important partner in the City of Riverside's GrowRIVERSIDE  
10 Initiative and its efforts to build a local food economy and robust agricultural sector; and

11 WHEREAS, the mission of UCANR/UCCE is to enhance agriculture and the community with  
12 the power of University of California research, and it has been in partnership with the County of  
13 Riverside for over one hundred years, serving as an advocate for healthy communities, an educator  
14 and provider of the 4H and Master Gardeners programs, an advisor for local farmers, and a steward of  
15 land and water resources; and

16 WHEREAS, on May 21, 2019, the County of Riverside notified UCANR that the County  
17 planned to eliminate its funding contributions to UCANR/UCCE; and

18 WHEREAS, for every one dollar (\$1.00) that the County of Riverside invests in UCCE, UCCE  
19 invests over four dollars (\$4.00) into the County and supports a wide array of public services and  
20 economic development activities that produce a thriving agricultural economy, better nutrition for  
21 families, and programs that support youth development, efficient use of water resources, and technical  
22 assistance for homeowners and natural resource managers; and

23 WHEREAS, the agriculture industry generates more than One Billion Two Hundred Million  
24 Dollars (\$1,200,000,000) in outputs and contributes up to Three Billion Six Hundred Million Dollars  
25 (\$3,600,000,000) to the regional economy and provides more than 17,000 local jobs; and

26 WHEREAS, the Arlington Heights greenbelt consists of more than 4,600 acres, and along with  
27 other vacant parcels across the City, provides abundant opportunities to diversify and expand  
28 agricultural production in the City; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Northside Urban Agriculture Center is forthcoming and  
will provide a myriad of food system workforce development and community programming; and

1 WHEREAS, Proposition R, a 1979 taxpayers' initiative ordinance, and Measure C, a 1987  
2 citizens' rights initiative, protect certain private lands in the City for very low density residential  
3 development, for the purpose of encouraging and supporting agricultural activities in the City; and

4 WHEREAS, in partnering with the City's agricultural sectors and communities,  
5 UCANR/UCCE is improving land and water resource management, developing water-use and land-  
6 management strategies, assisting farmers in implementing more efficient growing methods, solving  
7 pest management problems, providing resources for agriculture economics and agribusiness  
8 management, advocating for healthy communities, promoting healthy diets and exercise through  
9 nutrition programs, supporting the 4-H Youth Development and Master Gardeners programs, and  
10 hosting workshops and programs to grow California agriculture.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside,  
12 California, as follows:

13 Section 1: The City Council hereby affirms its support of the University of California  
14 Agriculture and Natural Resources' Cooperative Extension and the full-funding of UCANR/UCCE by  
15 the County of Riverside, through its County Board of Supervisors, to ensure the ongoing operation of  
16 programs and services, made available through UCANR/UCCE, that support the GrowRIVERSIDE  
17 Initiative and its efforts to develop the regional food system and agricultural sectors.

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19 ADOPTED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.  
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22 WILLIAM R. BAILEY, III  
Mayor of the City of Riverside

23 Attest:  
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25 \_\_\_\_\_  
COLLEEN J. NICOL  
26 City Clerk of the City of Riverside  
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1 I, Colleen J. Nicol, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the  
2 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at  
3 its meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, by the following vote, to wit:  
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5 Ayes:

6 Noes:

7 Absent:

8 Abstain:

9 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the  
10 City of Riverside, California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.  
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13 COLLEEN J. NICOL  
14 City Clerk of the City of Riverside  
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