RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, OFFERING A REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE IDENTITY OF, AND THE APPREHENSION OF, THE PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATTEMPTED MURDER OF IZAAC COLUNGA AND DOMONIC CASTILLO.

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 of the City of Riverside adopted Resolution No. 19873, approving the Riverside Police Department's Reward Program and authorizing its implementation; and

WHEREAS, on Friday, March 13, 2019, at approximately 12:11 a.m., Riverside Police Department officers responded to the 6400 block of Nideyer Avenue regarding multiple calls of shots fired into a residence; and

WHEREAS, upon arrival, officers contacted several occupants inside the residence, including two victims who had been struck by gunfire; victim Domonic Castillo suffered a single gunshot wound to his forearm, was treated at a local hospital and later released; victim Izaac Colunga was critically injured and was treated at a local hospital where it was discovered Mr. Colunga was paralyzed from the neck down; and

WHEREAS, Riverside Police Department's Robbery – Homicide Unit responded and assumed the investigation with the assistance of the Forensic Unit; and

WHEREAS, Riverside Police Department detectives interviewed several witnesses who provided their accounts of the event, and a few persons provided a suspect and vehicle description; and

WHEREAS, over the past year detectives have continued to work the case and up to this point have exhausted all leads; and

WHEREAS, a press release was distributed regarding the incident, but no information has been obtained as of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, in April 2020, a \$10,000 reward was approved by the City Council and offered to the public for assistance, however no further leads were developed; and

WHEREAS, Riverside Police Department detectives believe there may be witnesses to the events leading up to the shooting or the shooting itself who have yet to come forward; and

WHEREAS, the Riverside Police Department believes that increasing the reward to \$20,000 would yield useful information that could possibly lead to the identification and the apprehension of the person or persons responsible for the attempted murder of Domonic Castillo and Izaac Colunga; 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, that a reward in the amount of \$20,000 is hereby approved and authorized for information leading to the determination of the identity of, and the apprehension of, any person responsible for the acts stated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the offer of reward by the City shall be effective for a period of sixty (60) days or for the term of any extension thereof which may be approved by the City Council prior to the termination of the offer of reward. An offer of reward by the City shall terminate by payment, by revocation, or by withdrawal thereof by the City Council by resolution, motion, or council report adopted by a majority vote of the City Council or by expiration of the time period set

1	forth in the resolution offering the reward or any extension thereof which was approved by the City		
2	Council while the offer was otherwise effective.		
3	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all decisions with respect to the relevance or materiality		
4	of information received, whether or not utilized in establishing the determination of the identity of and		
5	the apprehension of any one or more persons, and whether such information provides a basis for the		
6	payment of a reward, are within the sole discretion of the City Council.		
7	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all determinations effective, or dispositive of the offer of		
8	reward, shall be within the sole discretion of the City Council and shall be final.		
9	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 53069.5, the person or persons		
10	responsible for the attempted murders of Izaac Colunga and Domonic Castillo shall be liable for the		
11	amount of any reward paid pursuant to this Section and if the person is an unemancipated minor, his		
12	or her parent or guardian shall also be liable for the amount.		
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14	ADOPTED by the City Council this day of, 2021.		
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16	Patricia Lock Dawson Mayor of the City of Riverside		
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19	Attest:		
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21	City Clerk of the City of Riverside		
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23	I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the		
24	foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced and adopted at a meeting of the City Council		
25	of said City at its meeting held on the day of, 2021, by the following vote, to		
26	wit:		
27	Ayes:		
28	Noes:		

1	Absent:			
2	Abstain:			
3	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the			
4	City of Riverside, California, this	day of	, 2021.	
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6		Interim City Clerk of the City of Riverside		
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