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RESOLUTION - Affirming support for Assembly Bill (AB) 2686 (Perea), the Clean, Safe, and Reliable Water Supply Act of 2014 and the importance of above-ground water storage, Delta restoration and safe drinking water - Council President Brandau

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, TO AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR
ASSEMBLY BILL 2686, THE CLEAN, SAFE, AND
RELIABLE WATER SUPPLY ACT OF 2014 AND THE
IMPORTANCE OF ABOVE-GROUND WATER STORAGE,
DELTA RESTORATION AND SAFE DRINKING WATER

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California is engaged in a re-examination of provisions within the \$11.14 billion Safe, Clean and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010 ("Water Bond"), signed into law in 2009 and currently scheduled to appear on the November 2014 General Election ballot;

WHEREAS, data has shown voters may reject the current \$11.14 billion Water Bond on the 2014 ballot, and California needs a revised bond that a majority of Californian's can support and that reflects all the water needs of the state;

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno, through enactment of Resolution No. 2019-67 on April 8, 2010, supported the Water Bond as an effective and necessary means of resolving California's water crisis and helping meet current and future water supply needs, particularly those of supply reliability and availability;

WHEREAS, said Resolution noted that the City of Fresno would specifically benefit from this bond through funding to enhance local water supply and reliability, including above ground storage projects such as the Temperance Flat Reservoir;

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno believes now as it did in approving the earlier Resolution that California's water system is outdated and straining to meet the needs of

its residents, farms, businesses and environment; and has resulted in severely limiting deliveries of water, creating the potential for catastrophic failures of levees; and falling short of meeting environmental and fishery needs, ensuring continuation of water shortages into the future if the new Water Bond Proposal, Assembly Bill 2686, were not approved and implemented; and

WHEREAS, enactment of the principles included in the Clean, Safe and Reliable Water Supply Act of 2014 would provide funding for programs throughout the state to increase water supply and reliability, address ecological problems in the Delta, add operational flexibility to the state's water storage and delivery system, aid disadvantaged communities with water quality problems, and expand water recycling and conservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. City of Fresno does hereby support Assembly Bill 2686, the Clean, Safe, and Reliable Water Supply Act of 2014.
2. City of Fresno, in recognition of the interest expressed by the California Legislature to re-examine and re-visit the Water Bond, does hereby inform Governor Brown and Members of the Legislature that the City of Fresno will not support any Water Bond that fails to contain all provisions in the current Water Bond's Chapter 8, including but not limited to \$3 billion in continuous appropriation funding to develop new above-ground water storage.

3. City of Fresno further will not support a modified Water Bond unless it retains the \$2.25 billion provided for by the current Water Bond in its Delta Sustainability section.

4. City of Fresno further will not support a Water Bond modification that lacks adequate funding for regional infrastructure improvements and development, including means of meeting the ever-growing challenges faced by disadvantaged communities throughout California in dealing with and resolving water quality problems.

6. City of Fresno asserts that such Water Bond provisions and funding levels are crucial for sustaining water supplies in the public interest and for economic and social good in the Fresno County region and all of the State of California.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2014.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2014
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2014
Mayor Veto: _____, 2014
Council Override Vote: _____, 2014

YVONNE SPENCE, CMC
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

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CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Brandon M. Collet Date
Deputy

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