## RESOLUTION NO. 747

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN OPPOSITION TO A PUBLIC GOODS CHARGE ON WATER

WHEREAS, proposals to impose a public goods charge or similar permanent statewide tax on water are under consideration; and

WHEREAS, a public goods charge or other permanent tax on water bills is not the appropriate mechanism to fund water solutions or address water quality and water supply problems faced by some disadvantaged communities; and

WHEREAS, assessing a public goods charge would unfairly penalize local water agerncies that have already made, and continue to make, investments in water management programs and infrastructure and would make it more difficult and costly for local agencies to fund critical local water efficiency and supply projects; and

WHEREAS, while there is a clear need to fund sensible long-term solutions and assist disadvantaged communities that do not have safe drinking water, a tax on water bills paid by a subset of Californians is not the solution; and

WHEREAS, local water managers are best suited to identify ways to spend locally-generated revenues at their respective agencies; an additional tax on water bills paid in order to send money to Sacramento, where a portion will be carved out to fund another layer of administration, is not efficient and is not an appropriate solution or sound policy;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT DOES RESOLVE that Idyllwild Water District opposes any effort by the state Legislature to impose a statewide public goods charge or other tax on water bills; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Idyllwild Water District opposes the use of the budget trailer bill process or other last-minute attempt to circumvent the appropriate legislative policy committee process to advance policy issues without full disclosure and transparency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to our state legislative representatives and key members of the Administration.

Adopted by the Board of Directors at a Regular Meeting held on March 21, 2018 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: David Hunt, Catherine Dearing, Steve Kunkle, Charles Schelly

Noes: Peter Szabadi

Abstain:

Absent:

Charles Schelly, President

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Board of Directors
Idyllwild Water District

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 747 adopted by the Board of Directors of Idyllwild Water District at its Regular Meeting held March 21, 2018.

Erica Gonzales, Secretary Idyllwild Water District