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RESOLUTION NO. 19-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR FILING WRITTEN ARGUMENTS REGARDING THE CITY MEASURE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS FOR THE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED TO VOTERS AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019

WHEREAS, a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Hermosa Beach, California, on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at which there will be submitted to the voters the following measure:

Shall an ordinance be adopted authorizing the City Council to increase the transient occupancy tax paid by hotel/motel guests from 12% to up to 14% of room revenue raising approximately \$550,000 annually to be controlled and used locally for general municipal services in Hermosa Beach such as police, fire, and paramedic services, infrastructure/street repairs, and park upgrades, until ended by voters?	YES	NO

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 9282(b), for measures placed on the ballot by the legislative body, the legislative body (City Council), or a member or members of the legislative body authorized by that body, or an individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, may file a written argument for or against any City measure; and

WHEREAS, if more than One argument for or against any measure is submitted, the State of California Elections Code Section 9287 authorizes the City Clerk to select the argument for printing and distributing to the voters, giving preference and priority as specified by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council authorizes the following:

1 Councilmember(s) _____ (and _____) to file a written argument
2 in favor of (or against) the measure to increase the transient occupancy tax (Hotel Bed Tax) from
3 12% to up to 14% of room revenue, with all Councilmembers invited to sign; and

4 **OR**

5 Councilmember(s) _____ (and _____) to prepare a written
6 argument in favor of (or against) the measure to increase the transient occupancy tax (Hotel Bed
7 Tax) from 12% to up to 14% of room revenue, and to file the argument on behalf of the entire City
8 Council, which shall be named on the argument as one of the (maximum) five authors permitted
9 by State law; and

10 **SECTION 2.** The arguments for the measures specified above shall not exceed 300 words
11 and must be accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, in
12 accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, and Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of
13 California. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the date fixed by the
14 City Clerk (6 p.m. Tuesday, July 23, 2019), after which no arguments for or against the City
15 measures may be submitted to the City Clerk.

16 Arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk, signed, with the printed name(s) and
17 signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name
18 of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who
19 is the author of the argument. Arguments shall be accompanied by the “Statement To Be Filed by
20 Author(s) of Arguments.”

21 **SECTION 3.** The City Council directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the measure to
22 the City Attorney, pursuant to Elections Code Section 9280, unless the organization or salaries of
23 the office of the City Attorney are affected.

24 a. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the measure, not to exceed 500
25 words, showing the effect of the measure on the existing law and the operation of the measure.
26 If the measure affects the organization or salaries of the office of the City Attorney, the City
27 Clerk shall prepare the impartial analyses.

28 b. The analysis shall include a statement indicating that the measure was placed on the
ballot by the governing body of the City.

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c. The impartial analyses shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of primary arguments (6 p.m. Tuesday, July 23, 2019).

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution; shall enter it into the book of original Resolutions, and shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the minutes of the meeting at which the Resolution is adopted.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 9th day of July, 2019.

PRESIDENT of the City Council and **MAYOR** of the City of Hermosa Beach, California

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Clerk

City Attorney