GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE SUPPORTING THE ORANGE COUNTY VETERANS CEMETERY IN ANAHEIM HILLS, AND ENCOURAGING FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR THIS MUCH NEEDED PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Garden Grove City Council wholeheartedly endorses building a Veterans cemetery in Orange County. The County of Orange has allocated over 200 acres of county-owned land located at Gypsum Canyon near the intersection of the 91 freeway and 241 toll road in Anaheim Hills; and

WHEREAS, to honor and respect the men and women who served our country and who deserve the right to be buried in Orange County, we ask federal, state, and local governments to closely consider this proposed project as a benefit, not only to Orange County, but to the region as well; and

WHEREAS, the Garden Grove City Council would like to support the planning and development of a site that would ultimately fulfill the promise made to Orange County Veterans; and

WHEREAS, the property at Gypsum Canyon has been deeded to the Orange County Cemetery District by the County of Orange for the purpose of building a Veterans cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the property's breathtaking view of the rolling hills remind many of Arlington Cemetery and we can bring historical pieces from the former El Toro Marine Corps Air Station, which closed in 1999, to the Veterans cemetery location in Anaheim Hills; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2021, numerous leaders representing Veteran organizations gathered at the proposed Orange County Veterans Cemetery site in Anaheim Hills and expressed their enthusiastic support for this location.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Garden Grove does hereby resolve to support the Orange County Veterans Cemetery in Anaheim Hills, and further encourages federal, state, and local governments to support this much needed project.