

**RESOLUTION NO. 6-06**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ASSOCIATION OF REFINERY CITIES AND COUNTIES**

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WHEREAS, cities and counties with petroleum refineries face unique challenges involving regulation and oversight of activities with significant potential impacts on public safety, public health and municipal finance, and;

WHEREAS, these issues include such things as building permits and inspections, utility user taxes, CEQA review of projects, warning and emergency response to hazardous material emissions and spills, homeland security and franchises for pipelines; and,

WHEREAS, while refineries typically have substantial legal and lobbying resources and draw on industry organizations such as the Western States Petroleum Association for technical and public policy support, cities and counties have many fewer comparable resources; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties with refineries could enhance their ability to effectively carry out public policy and responsibilities to their citizens if they could share information, experiences and research and otherwise work together for common goal.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Richmond desires to participate as a founding member of the Association of Refinery Cities and Counties, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council authorized the Mayor to appoint an individual Councilmember or committee to participate with representatives from other cities and counties to organize an Association of Refinery Cities and Counties, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such appointed individual or committee will report back to the City Council progress as it occurs in establishing the Association of Refinery Cities and Counties, including any such further action that may be required for formal participation by the City or for further actions by the City Council.

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond, California, at a regular meeting thereof held January 17, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Griffin, Marquez, McLaughlin, Rogers, Thurmond, Viramontes, and Mayor Anderson
NOES:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

DIANE HOLMES  
Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

IRMA L. ANDERSON  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

JOHN EASTMAN

City Attorney

State of California                    }  
County of Contra Costa            : ss.  
City of Richmond                    }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 6-06, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on January 17, 2006, and published in accordance with law.