

**RESOLUTION NO. 143-25**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,  
CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING THE COAST LIVE OAK (QUERCUS AGRIFOLIA)  
AS THE OFFICIAL NATIVE TREE OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond does not currently have an official native tree; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 17, 2025, the Richmond City Council approved the creation of a community survey to identify and select an official native tree; and

**WHEREAS**, the Urban Forest Advisory Committee (UFAC), composed of Richmond residents dedicated to supporting the City's urban forest, developed a list of candidate native trees based on criteria such as drought tolerance, disease resistance, wildlife value, and cultural significance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City conducted a community survey from August to September 2025, and the Coast Live Oak (*Quercus agrifolia*) received the most votes in the survey and was strongly supported as the community's choice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coast Live Oak is a native evergreen tree that supports hundreds of wildlife species, improves air quality, and provides shade; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coast Live Oak symbolizes resilience, longevity, and sustainability, qualities that reflect the spirit and aspirations of the City of Richmond.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Richmond that the Coast Live Oak (*Quercus agrifolia*) is hereby designated as the official native tree of the City of Richmond.

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held on October 7, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bana, Brown, Jimenez, Robinson,  
Wilson, Vice Mayor Zepeda, and Mayor Martinez.  
NOES: None.  
ABSTENTIONS: None.  
ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN  
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Approved: (SEAL)

EDUARDO MARTINEZ  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

DAVE ALESHIRE  
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. 143-25**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on October 7, 2025.

  
Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond