

RESOLUTION NO. 60-10

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA
IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND SEEKING DESIGNATION AS A
CONTRA COSTA *HEARTSAFE* COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, cardiovascular disease and sudden cardiac arrest annually claim the lives of 325,000 Americans before they reach a hospital; and,

WHEREAS, 80% of cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed by family members; and,

WHEREAS, currently the survival rate of a cardiac arrest victim is 6.4%; and,

WHEREAS, CPR can double a victim's chance of survival by maintaining vital blood flow to the heart and brain until more advanced care can be given; and,

WHEREAS, early treatment of heart attacks and strokes improve outcome; and,

WHEREAS, community awareness of the signs and symptoms of a cardiovascular emergency (heart attack, stroke or sudden cardiac arrest) and prompt, appropriate response to these symptoms has the potential for saving lives; and,

WHEREAS, May 16 through May 22 is National Emergency Medical Services Week and City of Richmond joins the efforts of cities throughout Contra Costa County in becoming a *HeartSafe* Community; and,

WHEREAS, a *HeartSafe* Community is a community where all elements of the Chain of Survival are in place and there is a focus on improving the cardiovascular health of its citizens, thereby increasing the chances that anyone suffering a cardiovascular emergency will have the best possible chance for survival.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Richmond hereby proclaim its intent, on behalf of the City of Richmond, to seek designation as a Contra Costa *HeartSafe* Community.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held on May 25, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Lopez, Rogers, Vice Mayor Ritterman, Viramontes, and Mayor McLaughlin
NOES:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

DIANE HOLMES
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Approved:

GAYLE McLAUGHLIN
Mayor

Approved as to form:

RANDY RIDDLE
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. 60-10**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a special meeting held on May 25, 2010.