

**CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 31-16**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA  
APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S  
BEACON PROGRAM**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond is undertaking policies, programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; and

**WHEREAS**, these policies, programs and activities conserve natural resources, save energy and money, and promote sustainable land use and transportation planning in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, cities and counties statewide are leading by example by adopting innovative sustainability programs and policies, including working with community residents, business groups and others; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond has developed several sustainability initiatives such as a partnership with GRID Alternatives to provide free solar panel systems to income-qualifying residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond and GRID Alternative's solar program has serviced over 150 homes in Richmond and North Richmond, and will provide more than \$2.5 million in energy cost savings for families and prevent more than 5,700 tons of greenhouse gases over the systems' lifetimes; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond wishes to expand these activities, share its experiences with other communities, and be recognized for its accomplishments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Beacon Program is a voluntary program of the Institute for Local Government, the non-profit research and education affiliate of the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Beacon Program recognizes and celebrates achievements of cities and counties that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; and

**WHEREAS**, participating in the Beacon Program is an opportunity for the City of Richmond to be recognized for its efforts to promote sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Richmond agrees to participate in the Institute for Local Government's Beacon Program.

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held April 5, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, McLaughlin, Myrick, Pimplé,  
Vice Mayor Martinez, and Mayor Butt.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN  
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND  
(SEAL)

Approved:

TOM BUTT

Mayor

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER

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. 31-16**, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on April 5, 2016.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond