

RESOLUTION NO. 76-18

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,
IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 2: NO PLACE LIKE HOME ON THE NOVEMBER 6,
2018 BALLOT TO HELP END THE SUFFERING ON OUR STREETS AND
NEIGHBORHOODS BY CONNECTING PEOPLE WHO HAVE A SERIOUS MENTAL
ILLNESS TO THE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING THEY NEED TO GET TREATMENT
AND CARE IN THE STABILITY OF A HOME**

WHEREAS, in California more than 134,000 people are languishing on our streets, huddled on sidewalks, sleeping under freeways and along riverbanks; and

WHEREAS, as many as a third of the people living in these unsafe conditions are living with an untreated mental illness; and

WHEREAS, decades of research shows providing people with a stable place to live along with mental health services promotes healthy, stable lives; and

WHEREAS, without the foundation of a stable home connected to mental healthcare, people suffering from serious mental illness are unable to make it to doctors' appointments and specialized counseling services, often showing up in emergency rooms as a last resort; and

WHEREAS, permanent supportive housing significantly reduces public health costs, reduces suffering for patients, and achieves better health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, a recent RAND study in Los Angeles County of supportive housing programs – similar to what Proposition 2 will do – found early success with more than 3,000 people moved off the streets, into housing and care, and saving taxpayers more than \$6 million after just one year; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 2 uses proven, models of pairing housing and mental health care – keeping Californians experiencing homeless off the streets, out of hospitals and emergency rooms and receiving the mental health services they need, while easing the burden on emergency responders and saving taxpayers millions; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Richmond City Council hereby supports Proposition 2: No Place Like Home on the November 6, 2018 ballot to help end the suffering on our streets and neighborhoods by connecting people who have a serious mental illness to the supportive housing they need to get treatment and care in the stability of a home; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Richmond supports and can be listed as a member of the Proposition 2: No Place Like Home coalition.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held September 25, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Beckles, Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:
TOM BUTT

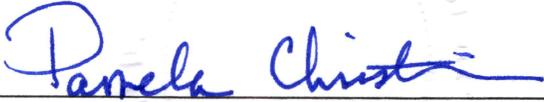
Mayor

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. 76-18**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on September 25, 2018.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond