RESOLUTION 2015-113

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CALISTOGA AND NAPA COUNTY PERTAINING TO ASSISTANCE PROVIDED UNDER THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MUTUAL AID PLAN IN CONNECTION WITH THE VALLEY FIRE

WHEREAS, this event and associated conditions will collectively be referred to as Valley Fire; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2015, this declared emergency event consists of fire and loss of property; and

WHEREAS, the following extreme conditions exist:

On September 12, 2015, the Valley Fire started in Lake County and spread into Napa County, rapidly burned thousands of acres of land, and destroyed multiple structures, including homes necessitating the evacuation of residents. The extreme drought which has caused millions of trees to die and created unusual fuels together with other fires throughout the State has significantly deteriorated air quality and impacted public health; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan delineates the current state policy concerning Emergency Management Mutual Aid; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan describes the standard procedures used to acquire emergency management mutual aid resources and the method to ensure coordination of emergency management mutual aid planning and readiness; and

WHEREAS, the county emergency manager is the Operational Area Emergency Management Mutual Aid Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan provides, in pertinent part, "When an emergency develops or appears to be developing which cannot be resolved by emergency management resources within an Operational Area, it is the responsibility of the Operational Area Mutual Aid Coordinator to provide assistance and coordination to control the problem;" and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan provides, in pertinent part, "A request for emergency management mutual aid requires the approval of an authorized official of the requesting jurisdiction;" and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Manager of Napa County requested the mutual aid assistance of City of Calistoga, pursuant to the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan to provide emergency management support in connection with the Valley Fire; and

WHEREAS, City of Calistoga has provided and will continue to provide emergency management mutual aid consisting of emergency management personnel, equipment,

and/or materials from September 12, 2015 through December 31, 2015 to assist with emergency management services in connection with the Valley Fire; and

WHEREAS, City of Calistoga agrees to document all of its mutual aid assistance costs related to the Valley Fire as attachments to this MOA and submit to Napa County as soon as practicable; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Calistoga reviewed the proposed MOA at a special public meeting held on September 22, 2015 and considered the staff report and public comment and finds it is in the public interest of the City Calistoga to enter into the MOA to ensure that emergency management mutual aid is provided for this event and associated costs reimbursed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Calistoga hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into a memorandum of agreement between the City of Calistoga and Napa County pertaining to assistance provided under the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan in connection with the Valley Fire as shown in Exhibit A to this resolution, subject to City Attorney review and approval.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this **22**nd **day of September, 2015**, by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers Barnes, Kraus and Lopez-Ortega, Vice Mayor

Dunsford and Mayor Canning

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

CHRIS CANNING, Mayor

ATTEST:

KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk