## **RESOLUTION NO. 17-13**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY SETTING THE VALUE FOR LAND TRANSFERRED TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE CALIFORNIA CENTRAL COAST VETERANS CEMETERY

THIS RESOLUTION is adopted with reference to the following facts and circumstances:

- A. WHEREAS, the FORT ORD REUSE Authority ("FORA"), and all the FORA Board members have supported the creation of the California Central Coast Veteran's Cemetery ("CCCVC") on former Fort Ord lands; and
- B. WHEREAS, the FORA Base Reuse Plan adopted in 1997 calls for a Veterans Cemetery as a key component in the base wide recovery program; and
- C. WHEREAS, many local individuals and organizations have supported the regional effort to establish the CCCVC with personal, corporate, and other eleemosynary contributions to the CCCVC Foundation's fundraising work; and
- D. WHEREAS, the United States and California Departments of Veterans Affairs have agreed to provide financial and ownership leadership for the CCCVC and have accepted responsibility for completing a full-scale facility to honor California Veterans; and
- E. WHEREAS, FORA, the City of Seaside and the County of Monterey have entered agreements recognizing the importance of setting aside a centrally located property for the CCCVC and to forego the revenue return from such property to aid the project demands; and
- F. WHEREAS, 84.4 acres of developable land have been transferred to the State of California for the purpose of developing a centrally located Veterans' Cemetery; and
- G. WHEREAS, the FORA has established and published a general average value of \$171,000 per acre for development properties establishing the total amount of \$14,432,440 as the CCCVC land value; and
- H. WHEREAS, the US and California Departments of Veterans Affairs require local matching contributions in the financing of state cemeteries receiving federal funds; and
- I. WHEREAS, FORA is requesting the State of California (CalVet) consider applying total land value of Fourteen Million Four Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Four Hundred dollars (\$14,432,400) as state required local match for USDVA cemetery construction grants, prorated for eleven phases of the cemetery as outlined in the state's 2015 Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Master Plan, beginning with an initial proration allocation for Phase II construction for in-ground casket and cremains burials.

NOW THEREFORE the Board hereby resolves that:

- 1. The value of the land that has been contributed to the State of California for the establishment of the CCCVC is worth approximately Fourteen Million Four Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Four Hundred dollars (\$14,432,400).
- 2. The FORA Board sustains its commitment to forego its share of the revenues for these and the related parcels in order to support the local share requirements for the CCCVC and ongoing fundraising work for meeting project obligations.

3. The Board requests the State of California (CalVet) consider applying a combined total land value of Fourteen Million Four Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Four Hundred dollars (\$14,432,400) as state required local match for USDVA cemetery construction grants, prorated for eleven phases of the cemetery as outlined in the state's 2015 Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Master Plan, beginning with an initial proration allocation for Phase II construction for in-ground casket and cremains burials.

Upon motion by Director Frank O'Connell, seconded by Director Ed Smith, the foregoing Resolution was passed on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:Parker, Phillips, Adams, Edelen, O'Connell, Morton, Haffa,<br/>Rubio, Pacheco, Carbone, Gunter, Garfield, ReimersNOES:NoneABSENT:None

Ralph Rubio, Chair

ATTES/T: Kann Michael A. Houlemard, Jr. Clerk