

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-_____**

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
3 CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, TO JOIN OTHER CALIFORNIA
4 CITIES, COUNTIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
5 ASSOCIATIONS IN SUPPORTING EXTENDED PRODUCER
6 RESPONSIBILITY (EPR) THROUGH SUPPORT OF
7 LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES AND SSUPPORTING THE
8 EFFORTS OF THE CALIFORNIA PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP
9 COUNCIL (CPSC).

10 WHEREAS, producer responsibility is defined as whoever designs, produces,
11 sells, or uses a product takes responsibility for minimizing the product's environmental
12 impact throughout all stages of the products' life cycle. And the party having the greatest
13 ability to minimize impacts, the producer, has the most responsibility;

14 WHEREAS, extended producer responsibility (EPR) is a policy approach in
15 which producers assume responsibility for management of waste products and which has
16 been shown to be effective;

17 WHEREAS, the City of Culver City encourages all manufacturers to share in
18 the responsibility for eliminating waste through minimizing excess packaging, designing
19 products for durability, reusability and the ability to be recycled; using recycled materials in
20 the manufacture of new products; and providing financial support for collection, processing,
21 recycling, or disposal of used materials;

22 WHEREAS, the City of Culver City supports statewide efforts to hold
23 producers responsible for product waste;

24 WHEREAS, California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC), an association
25 of local governments, advocates for a strategy to place a shared responsibility for end-of-
26 life product management on entities involved in the product chain, instead of the general
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1 public, while encouraging product design changes that minimize a negative impact on
2 human health and the environment at every stage of the product's lifecycle;

3 WHEREAS, state policies currently make local governments responsible for
4 achieving waste diversion goals and enforcing product disposal bans, both of which are
5 unfunded mandates;

6 WHEREAS, waste management costs are expected to increase substantially
7 in the short term unless policy changes, are implemented;

8 WHEREAS, diversion, recycling and disposal bans are all downstream
9 actions that address end of life management and do not address reduction in generation
10 and consumption which will continue to manifest in the coming years;

11 WHEREAS, reduction ranks first on the waste hierarchy- reduce, reuse, and
12 then recycle;

13 WHEREAS, approximately 64,525 tons of discarded materials and products
14 are currently sent for disposal from the Culver City community on an annual basis at a cost
15 of \$32.38 per ton;

16 WHEREAS, when products are reused or recycled responsibly, and when
17 health and environmental costs are included in the product price, there is an incentive to
18 design products that are more durable, easier to repair and recycle, and less toxic;

19 WHEREAS, EPR framework legislation establishes transparent and fair
20 principles and procedures for applying EPR to categories of products for which improved
21 design and management infrastructure is in the public interest;

22 WHEREAS, in January 2008 the California Integrated Waste Management
23 Board (CalRecycle) adopted a Framework for an EPR System in California; and
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1 WHEREAS, in July 2008 the National Association of Counties adopted a
2 resolution in support of a framework approach to EPR.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City DOES
4 HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

5 1. The Mayor is authorized to sign the California Product Stewardship
6 Council (CPSC) Pledge of Support on behalf of the City Council; and

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8 2. The City of Culver City urges CalRecycle to continue taking timely
9 action to implement the Framework for an EPR System in California to manage Universal
10 and other waste products.

11 3. The City Manager is authorized to send letters to the League of
12 California Cities, the California State Association of Counties, CalRecycle, and the State
13 legislature and to use other advocacy methods to urge support for EPR Framework
14 legislation and related regulations.

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16 4. The City of Culver City encourages all manufacturers to share in the
17 responsibility for eliminating waste through minimizing excess packaging, designing
18 products for durability, reusability and the ability to be recycled; using recycled materials in
19 the manufacture of new products; and providing financial support for collection, processing,
20 recycling, or disposal of used materials.

21 APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2018.

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THOMAS AUJERO SMALL, Mayor
City of Culver City, California

25 ATTEST:

26 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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JEREMY GREEN, City Clerk
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28 CAROL A. SCHWAB, City Attorney