

RESOLUTION <u>20xx-xxx</u>

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 10 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA TO EXTEND THE CURRENT 2024 SEA GRANT FELLOW FOR FOUR MONTHS FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$26,786, FOR A NEW NOT TO EXCEED TOTAL OF \$1,098,261; FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 HAVE BEEN BUDGETED

WHEREAS, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix 1, (Port Act); and

WHEREAS, the California Sea Grant Fellowship program provides a unique educational and professional opportunity for graduate students who are interested in coastal and marine resources, and the policy decisions affecting those resources; and

WHEREAS, the California Sea Grant program is a unique partnership that unites the resources of the federal government, the State of California and universities across the state to create knowledge, products and services that benefit the economy, the environment and the citizens of California; and

WHEREAS, California Sea Grant is one of 33 state programs funded by the National Sea Grant College Program, part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) with matching funds coming from the state and private sources; and

WHEREAS, California Sea Grant is administered by Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO) and the Regents of the University of California, San Diego (Regents); and

WHEREAS, the Sea Grant Fellowship program matches highly motivated and outstanding graduate students with "hosts" agencies from municipal, state, and federal agencies within California; and

WHEREAS, the District became a host agency for the first time in 2017 and since then, has annually supported one to three Sea Grant Fellows in the Planning & Environmental Division; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2017, by Resolution No. 2017-010, the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) approved an agreement with the Regents to host three California Sea Grant State Fellows for one year in the amount of \$175,067, and for mutual indemnification (Agreement No. 6171-2017 on file with the Office of the District Clerk); and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2018, Amendment No. 1 to this agreement was approved by the BPC to allow the District to host two new Sea Grant Fellows for one year and to extend a current fellow for an additional five months for a total amount of \$138,953, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$314,020; and

WHEREAS, on January 16, 2019, Amendment No. 2 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC to allow the District to host two new California Sea Grant Fellows for one year in the amount of \$116,092, as well as extend one current Sea Grant Fellow for an additional nine and one-half months for an amount of \$138,778, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$452,798; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2020, Amendment No. 3 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC to allow the District to host two new California Sea Grant Fellows for one year in the amount of \$127,049, as well as extend the two current Sea Grant Fellows, one for an additional nine and one-half months at \$15,670 (credit applied from FY19), and the second for an additional four and one-half months at \$28,237, for a total amount of \$170,956 for four fellows, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$623,754; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2021, Amendment No. 4 extended the agreement for time only, from March 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022, with no increase in funding as surplus funds from 2020 were used to support the 2021 fellowship; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2021, Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC to allow the District to host one new California Sea Grant Fellow for one year in the amount of \$57,809, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$681,563; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2022, Amendment No. 6 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC to allow the District to host one new California Sea Grant Fellow for one year in the amount of \$57,809, bringing the total not-exceed amount to \$739,371; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2023, Amendment No. 7 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC, by Resolution No. 2023-110, to allow the District to host two new California Sea Grant Fellows for one year in the amount of \$156,051, bringing the total not-exceed amount to \$895,422; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Amendment No. 8 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC, by resolution #2024-035, to allow the District to extend the 2024 fellow for three months in the amount of \$17,776, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$913,198; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2024, Amendment No. 9 to the agreement with the Regents was approved by the BPC, by resolution #2024-401, to allow the District to host two new California Sea Grant Fellows for one year in the amount of \$158,277, bringing the total not to exceed amount to \$1,071,475; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the BPC adopt a resolution for the proposed Amendment No. 10 to the agreement with the Regents to allow the District to extend one 2024 California Sea Grant Fellow, for 17 weeks, in the amount of \$26,786, bringing the new total not-exceed amount to \$1,098,261.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, as follows:

The Executive Director or their designee is authorized to execute Amendment No. 10 to the agreement with the Regents to allow the District to extend one 2024 California Sea Grant Fellow, for 17 weeks, in the amount of \$26,786, bringing the new total not-exceed amount to \$1,098,261.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY: GENERAL COUNSEL

By: Assistant/Deputy General Counsel

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 11th day of March 2025, by the following vote: