Resolution

of the City Council

Recognizing the Friends of Westerner Mobile Home Park

WHEREAS, Westerner Mobile Home Park (MHP) is one of Sacramento's largest privately owned mobile home parks providing affordable housing and services for residents who would have otherwise been displaced; and

WHEREAS, the conversion of the Westerner Mobile Home Park to a Mutual Housing Community will contribute to preserving the affordable rents at the MHP as most of the residents own their own homes and rent the individual spaces; and

WHEREAS, the Westerner MHP was to be shut down to by the State due to health and safety hazards making it almost impossible to operate in a safe manner and meet the State requirements for MHP owners; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Westerner Mobile Home Park rallied to assist with the revitalization of their neighborhood, partnering with other local organizations in order to work effectively to save their homes and community; and

WHEREAS, the Westerner MHP relied heavily on the dedication of and good will of the combined efforts of many community organizations and individuals such as the representatives of the Sacramento Mutual Housing Association for providing valuable assistance as a sponsor and developer to this endeavor; and

WHEREAS, by voting to become a mutual housing community the residents are embarking on a journey of community building, working together to have a say in how their community and MHP are operated; and

WHEREAS, the achievements of the Friends of Westerner Mobile Home Park have been widely recognized as outstanding examples of community cooperation and volunteerism that should be used as role models of self-help efforts that are of great benefit to all citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sacramento, that we do hereby recognize the Friends of Westerner Mobile Home Park and do hereby offer our sincere thanks to the people who worked together to preserve this precious affordable housing resource.

ISSUED: This 8th Day of August 2006.

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