## ATTACHMENT A

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-82**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING GYPSUM CANYON VETERANS' CEMETERY

- WHEREAS, it is estimated that 200,000 military veterans reside in Orange County;
- **WHEREAS**, the veterans that served our nation deserve a final resting place of honor and serenity;
- **WHEREAS**, efforts to site a veterans' cemetery in the City of Irvine at the closed Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro have not been successful;
- WHEREAS, in 2018, the County of Orange designated 280-acres at the 241 Toll Road and Gypsum Canyon Road ("Gypsum Canyon") in Anaheim Hills for a veterans and separate civilian cemetery;
- WHEREAS, a coalition of 130 Orange County veterans' groups are united in a regional effort to finally build a suitable resting place for the fallen at Gypsum Canyon; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Orange County Board of Supervisors unanimously support a veterans' cemetery at Gypsum Canyon.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** the City Council of the City of Newport Beach resolves as follows:
- **Section 1:** The City Council does hereby join with the Orange County veterans' community and Board of Supervisors in support of a Veterans' Cemetery at Gypsum Canyon in Anaheim Hills.
- **Section 2:** The City Council does hereby support state and federal legislation that facilitates the development of the Orange County Veterans Cemetery at Gypsum Canyon in Anaheim Hills.
- **Section 3:** The recitals provided in this resolution are true and correct and are incorporated into the operative part of this resolution.

**Section 4:** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this resolution. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**Section 5:** The City Council finds the adoption of this resolution is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

**Section 6:** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting the resolution.

ADOPTED this 14th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:	Brad Avery Mayor
Leilani I. Brown City Clerk	

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Aaron C. Harp City Attorney