RESOLUTION NO. 2011-010

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS, CALIFORNIA, SETTING FORTH THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS' COMMITMENT TO OBESITY PREVENTION

WHEREAS, in 2004, the League of California Cities adopted an Annual Conference resolution to encourage cities to embrace policies that facilitate activities to promote healthier lifestyles and communities, including healthy diet and nutrition and adoption of city design and planning principles that enable citizens of all ages and abilities to undertake exercise; and

WHEREAS, the League of California Cities has a strategic goal to promote and develop safe and healthy cities; and

WHEREAS, in July 2010 the League of California Board of Directors resolved to partner with and support the national *Let's Move Campaign*, and encourages California cities to adopt preventative measures to fight obesity; and

WHEREAS, more than half of California's adults are overweight or obese and therefore at risk for many chronic conditions including diabetes, heart disease, cancer, arthritis, stroke, and, hypertension; and

WHEREAS, one in four youth between the ages of 9 and 16 in California is overweight. According to the California Center for Public Health Advocacy 26% of youth between the ages of 9 and 16 in Citrus Heights are overweight; and

WHEREAS, more children are being diagnosed with diseases linked to overweight and obesity previously seen only in adults, such as Type 2 diabetes and heart disease; and

WHEREAS, the current generation of children are expected to have shorter lives than their parents due to the consequences of obesity; and

WHEREAS, obesity takes a tremendous toll on the health and productivity of all Californians; and

WHEREAS, the annual cost to California—in medical bills, workers' compensation and lost productivity— for overweight, obesity, and physical inactivity exceeds \$41 billion; and

WHEREAS, teens and adults who consume one or more sodas or sugar sweetened beverages per day are more likely to be overweight or obese; and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 375 and Assembly Bill 32 call on cities to adopt plans to reduce greenhouse emissions which include reducing vehicular miles traveled; and

WHEREAS, local land use policy governs development of the built environment in which individuals make personal nutrition and physical activity choices; and

WHEREAS, by supporting the health of residents and the local workforce would decrease chronic disease and health care costs and increase productivity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby recognized that obesity is a serious public health threat to the health and wellbeing of adults, children and families in the City of Citrus Heights. While individual lifestyle changes are necessary, individual effort alone is insufficient to combat obesity's rising tide. Significant societal and environmental changes are needed to support individual efforts to make healthier choices. To that end, the City of Citrus Heights adopts this Healthy Eating Active Living resolution:

I. Built Environment

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Citrus Heights should make every effort to:

- Plan and construct a built environment that encourages walking, biking and other forms of physical activity;
- Address walking and biking connectivity between residential neighborhoods and schools, parks, recreational resources, and retail.

II. Employee Wellness

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to promote wellness within the City of Citrus Heights, the City pledges to provide employees with resources and information regarding a healthy lifestyle.

III. Healthy Food Access

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Citrus Heights encourages restaurants doing business in the City of Citrus Heights to:

Disclose the calorie amount and grams of fat for each menu item listed on a menu or menu board in a clear and conspicuous manner.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights this 13th day of January, 2011, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

Council Members: Karpinski-Costa, Miller, Turner, Slowey, Bruins

NOES: **ABSTAIN:** Council Members: None

Council Members: None

ABSENT:

Council Members: None

ATTEST: