RESOLUTION OF COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, INCORPORATING FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE TOBACCO RETAILING BUSINESS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, The Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development in conjunction with the Health Services Department prepared a Tobacco Retailing Business Ordinance for review by the County Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of compliance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State and County CEQA Guidelines, the zoning text amendment is Categorically Exempt, per Section 15061 (b)(3) of CEQA; and

WHEREAS, after notice having been lawfully given, a public hearing was scheduled before the County Planning Commission on Tuesday December 6, 2016, where all persons interested therein appear and be heard; and

WHEREAS, based on testimony provided at the December 6, 2016 hearing, the Planning Commission continued the hearing to the February 8, 2017 hearing date and directed the Health Services Department to provide additional outreach to tobacco retailers prior to the next Planning Commission hearing; and

WHEREAS, after having fully reviewed, considered and evaluated all the public correspondence, testimony, and evidence submitted in this matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Planning Commission:

- 1. FINDS that the proposed Tobacco Retailing Businesses Ordinance is not necessary and places an undue burden on existing tobacco retailing businesses; and
- 2. RECOMMENDS to the Board of Supervisors that the proposed Tobacco Retailing Businesses Ordinance be DENIED

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the secretary of this Commission will sign and attest the certified copy of this resolution and deliver the same to the Board of Supervisors, all in accordance with the Government Code of the State of California.

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This Resolution was approved upon motion of the County Planning Commission on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

Steele, Terrell, and Wright

NOES:

Swenson

ABSENT:

Clark and Allen

ABSTAIN:

None

DUANE STEELE

Chairman of the County Planning Commission, County of Contra Costa, State of California

ATTEST:

ARUNA BHAT, Secretary

County Planning Commission,

County of Contra Costa,

State of California