RESOLUTION NUMBER 4185

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

- WHEREAS, the primary role of local elected officials is to protect the health, safety and welfare of their residents; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Perris continues to work with local law enforcement agencies to keep our streets safe and keep criminals behind bars; and
- WHEREAS, a federal injunction requires Riverside County release inmates when the county's jails are at capacity; and
- WHEREAS, in 2007 Riverside County released more than 6,000 criminals before they had completed their sentences because jails were at capacity; and
- WHEREAS, without adequate inmate housing Riverside County will be forced to continue the early release of criminals who often return to the streets and commit new crimes against our residents, visitors and property; and
- WHEREAS, Riverside County is conducting the environmental review of a site for a detention center along interstate 10 near the community of Whitewater; and
- WHEREAS, the detention center will resemble a manufacturing or distribution center similar to other facilities on that segment of Interstate 10; and
- WHEREAS, the Interstate 10 location is best suited for a detention center because of its close proximity to a transportation corridor and ease of access to county courts; and
- WHEREAS, there appear to be few negative environmental impacts associated with the proposed Interstate 10 site for a detention center; and
- WHEREAS, the detention center will house 2,000 inmates in its first phase and the site has potential to expand to 7,200 inmate beds; and
- WHEREAS, the detention center will add amenities and infrastructure to the surrounding neighborhoods; and
- WHEREAS, the detention center will generate about 1,500 public safety jobs at build out; and

WHEREAS, the detention center will allow the County to dramatically curtail the number of inmate early releases and better ensure criminals stay off the streets, therefore, enhancing the quality of life for all residents and visitors.

NOW, *THEREFORE*, *BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Perris as follows:

- 1. That the City Council sees no deleterious public safety or economic impacts to cities and communities near the detention center.
- 2. That the City Council has determined construction of a new detention center is a regional public safety priority.
- 3. That the City Council finds the proposed site along Interstate 10 near Whitewater to be an appropriate location for a detention center pending the outcome of the environmental impact study.
- 4. That the City Council endorses the project and recommends that Riverside County move forward with construction of the regional detention center near the Interstate 10 location.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED THIS 10th day of February, 2009.

	Mayor Daryl R. Busch	
Attest:		
City Clerk Judy L. Haughney		

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss CITY OF PERRIS)

I, Judy L. Haughney, City Clerk of the City of Perris, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 4185 was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Perris at a regular meeting thereof held the 10th day of February 2009, by the following vote

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Evans, Rogers, Yarbrough, Landers, Busch

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

City Clerk Judy L. Haughney