

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF INTERNATIONAL WATER DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the International Water District (“District”) is governed by a Board of Directors (“Board”) consisting of members who are elected for a term of four years; and

WHEREAS, the District currently schedules elections for its Board under the Elections Code and other applicable law on the first Tuesday in November in each odd-numbered year for expiring terms; and

WHEREAS, the California Voter Participation Rights Act (SB 415) becomes effective on January 1, 2018 and prohibits local governmental entities, including special districts, from holding a regular election on a date other than on a statewide primary or general election date of even-numbered years, if holding a regular election on a non-statewide election date has previously resulted in a “significant decrease in voter turnout,” which is defined by SB 415 to mean at least 25% less voter turnout than the average voter turnout within the governmental entity for the previous four statewide general elections (2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016); and

WHEREAS, the District has not held an election for its Directors in previous years, as applicants have been unopposed due to the small number of voters and individuals qualified to serve as directors, and directors have therefore been appointed to their positions and the District therefore has no record of voter turnout according to the Fresno County Elections Office; and

WHEREAS, the District has nonetheless opted to change the District’s regular election date to even-numbered years on the same November date as the general state-wide elections; and

WHEREAS, in order to change the District’s regular election date to comply with the Act, Elections Code section 1303(b) authorizes the Board of Directors at this time to adopt a resolution changing the District’s regular election date from the first Tuesday in November of odd-numbered years to the statewide general election date in November of even-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, the resolution must then be submitted to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors no later than 240 days before the next District regular election date, and the resolution must be approved by the Board of Supervisors in order to change the District’s regular election date; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of this Board of Directors to change the District’s regular election date for election of its Board of Directors from first Tuesday in November of odd-numbered years to the statewide general election date in November of even-numbered years consistent with the Act; and

WHEREAS, the next scheduled general board election date is November 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors, the Board requests that the new election date be moved from August of odd-numbered years to November of even-numbered years commencing in 2019, with governing

body members whose terms would have expired in 2019 being extended to 2020, and governing body members whose terms would have expired in 2021, being extended to 2022, as required by Elections Code section 10404(i).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of International Water District as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Elections Code sections 1303(b) and 10404(b), the District hereby opts to change the District's regular election date for election of the Board of Directors from the first Tuesday in November of odd-numbered years to the statewide general election date on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even-numbered years.

SECTION 2. Special elections called for the purposes of filling Board vacancies, submitting measures to the District's electors for consideration, or other such matters, shall not be affected by this resolution and may be conducted on any date authorized by applicable law.

SECTION 3. The Fresno County Board of Supervisors is hereby requested to consolidate all future District regular elections with the statewide general elections to be conducted in November of even-numbered years.

SECTION 4. For those Board members whose terms of office would have expired in 2019, their terms of office are extended to 2020. For those Board members whose terms of office would have expired in 2021, their terms of office will be extended to 2022.

SECTION 5. The President of the District's Board shall be authorized to take additional and further actions and execute any instruments and documents as may be required by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors and other County Officials in order to effectuate the change of election dates required by this resolution.

SECTION 6. The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District shall transmit certified copies of this resolution to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors for approval under Elections Code section 10404, subdivision (b)(2). This resolution shall become effective upon approval by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned hereby certifies that she is the Secretary of International Water District and that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of said District at a

meeting thereof, duly and regularly held on December 18, 2017, at which meeting a quorum of the Board of Directors was at all times present and acting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 18th day of December, 2017.



Shawn S. Stevenson, Secretary

INTERNATIONAL WATER DISTRICT

Board of Directors

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Current Election Year</u>	<u>Proposed Election Year</u>
Floyd Harlan	2019	2020
Greg Harlan	2021	2022
LaVonne L. Harlan	2019	2020
Shawn Stevenson	2021	2022
Karen Harlan Walker	2021	2022