The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (“Metropolitan”) may receive event tickets and/or passes from public and private entities and individuals or purchase event tickets and/or passes for events in connection with Metropolitan’s operations and activities in furtherance of Metropolitan’s public purposes;

These tickets and/or passes purchased, received or owned by Metropolitan are public resources of Metropolitan; and

Metropolitan desires to use such tickets and/or passes to further the governmental and public purposes of Metropolitan, such as the promotion of Metropolitan’s activities and programs, water conservation, water supply and distribution, and state-wide water and policy issues affecting or involving Metropolitan; and,

The furtherance of Metropolitan’s governmental and public purposes may require the distribution of said tickets and/or passes to “public officials,” as that term is defined in Government Code section 82048; and

Fair Political Practices Commission Regulation 18944.1(e) requires that any distribution of said tickets and/or passes to, or at the behest of, Metropolitan officials must be made pursuant to a duly adopted written policy if such distribution is made under that regulation; and that Metropolitan must receive value equal or greater than the value of the event ticket or pass it distributes to a Metropolitan official.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California does hereby adopt and approve the addition of Section 7132 to Metropolitan’s Administrative Code as set forth below:

§ 7132. Ticket Distribution Policy.

1. Definitions: The following terms shall have the meanings set forth herein:

   a. “Metropolitan Official” shall mean and refer to a Metropolitan public official as that term is defined by Government Code section 82048, which includes directors, officers, and employees.

   b. “FPPC” shall mean and refer to the California Fair Political Practices Commission.
c. “Policy” shall mean and refer to this Ticket Distribution Policy.

d. “Ticket” or “pass” shall mean and refer to a ticket or pass as these terms are defined in FPPC Regulation 189044.1, as amended from time to time. (As of the time of the initial adoption of this policy the term “ticket” or “pass” means admission to a facility, event, show, or performance for an entertainment, amusement, recreational, or similar purpose.)

2. Purpose of Policy. The purpose of this Policy is to ensure that all tickets and passes Metropolitan receives from public and private entities and individuals, which Metropolitan purchases or which Metropolitan owns because of its control of the event or facility, are distributed in furtherance of a public purpose of Metropolitan.

3. Limitation. This Policy shall only apply to Metropolitan’s distribution of tickets and/or passes to, or at the behest of a Metropolitan Official.

4. Ticket Distribution Public Purposes: Metropolitan may accomplish one or more public purposes of Metropolitan through the distribution of tickets to, or at the behest of, a Metropolitan Official. The following list is illustrative rather than exhaustive, of the public purposes of Metropolitan that may be served by Metropolitan officials attending events using tickets distributed to them by Metropolitan:

   a. Support of general employee morale, retention or to reward public service.

   b. Promotion of water conservation within Metropolitan’s service area and the State of California.

   c. Promotion of the quality of the water served by Metropolitan and the water service provided by Metropolitan.

   d. Promotion of Metropolitan recognition, visibility, and/or profile on a local, state, national or international scale.

   e. Recognition of a Metropolitan program or purpose.

   f. Promotion of Metropolitan issues and interests.

5. Public Purpose Requirement. The distribution of any ticket and/or pass by Metropolitan to, or at the behest of, a Metropolitan official shall accomplish one or more public purposes of Metropolitan.

6. Transfer Prohibition. The transfer by any Metropolitan official of any ticket distributed to that official pursuant to this policy to any other person is prohibited except to members of the official’s immediate family for their personal use, or to no more than one guest solely for their attendance at the event.

7. Designation of Agency Head. For the purpose of implementing and posting this policy, and completing and posting the required FPPC Form 802 for distribution of tickets, Metropolitan’s General Manager or his designee, is the responsible official.
8. **Website Posting.** This Ticket Distribution Policy shall be posted on Metropolitan’s public website in a prominent fashion and the link to this website shall be submitted to the FPPC for posting on the FPPC website.

9. The distribution of a ticket or tickets pursuant to this Policy shall be posted on Metropolitan’s website in a prominent fashion within forty-five (45) days after the ticket distribution. Such posting shall use FPPC California Form 802 or such alternate form as the FPPC may designate from time to time.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California at its meeting held on __________, 2016.

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Secretary of the Board of Directors
of The Metropolitan Water District
of Southern California