

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
MARCH 3, 2015**

WHEREAS, California Government Code 27388 provides for funding the investigation and prosecution of real estate fraud crimes by adopting a fee not to exceed \$10.00 for the recording of certain specified real estate instruments by the County Clerk-Recorder, and

WHEREAS, 31 counties in the State of California, including all counties in the Southern California area have adopted this fee and have established real estate fraud prosecution units to combat real estate fraud, with Orange County adopting this fee on March 3, 2009 (Resolution No. 09-020) and implementing a program of real estate fraud investigation and prosecution that has produced a significant number of investigations and prosecutions, and

WHEREAS, real estate fraud continues to be a major problem and threat to Orange County residents and requires aggressive prosecution of those who engage in real estate fraud, an important public safety goal, to which the Orange County District Attorney's Office has contributed through prosecuting over 100 felony real estate fraud cases since creating a dedicated Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit in April 2009, and

WHEREAS, the economic stability of the Orange County real estate market continues to be affected by fraud including mortgage fraud, foreclosure fraud, short sale fraud and fraudulent transfers of real estate, which cause significant financial harm to victims in addition to contributing to economic uncertainty in the real estate and construction markets which are an important part of the Orange County economy, and

WHEREAS, the present fiscal situation in the County of Orange and in the Orange County District Attorney's Office makes an extension of this recording fee necessary to continue to invest resources in aggressively investigating and prosecuting crimes involving real estate fraud, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board does find that it is necessary for the economic protection of Orange County residents to continue to impose a \$3.00 recording fee on certain specified real estate instruments pursuant to the provisions Government Code 27388.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Orange County Clerk-Recorder is ordered to continue collection of the fee on April 1, 2015 and that the recording fees shall be deposited by the Clerk-Recorder into the Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Fund 12G pursuant to the provisions of Government Code 27388.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this fee shall expire on March 31, 2018, unless otherwise extended.

Resolution No. 15-010, Item 1  
Recording Fee for Real Estate Prosecution Fund

The foregoing was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, on March 03, 2015, to wit:

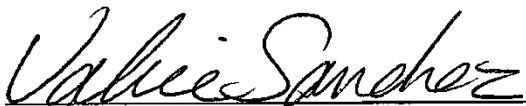
AYES:	Supervisors:	LISA A. BARTLETT, TODD SPITZER, ANDREW DO MICHELLE STEEL, SHAWN NELSON
NOES:	Supervisor(s):	
EXCUSED:	Supervisor(s):	
ABSTAINED:	Supervisor(s):	

  
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 CHAIRMAN

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
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 COUNTY OF ORANGE )

**I, ROBIN STIELER, Interim Clerk of the Board of Orange County, California, hereby certify that a copy of this document has been delivered to the Chairman of the Board and that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Orange County Board of Supervisors.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and seal.**

  
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 ROBIN STIELER  
 Clerk of the Board  
 County of Orange, State of California



Resolution No: 15-010  
 Agenda Date: 03/03/2015  
 Item No:



I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors, Orange County, State of California

Robin Stieler, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deputy