CITY OF OJAI
RESOLUTION NO. 13-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OJAI
SUPPORTING THE FORMATION OF A COMMUNITY FACILITIES
DISTRICT TO ACQUIRE AND REHABILITATE THE GOLDEN STATE
WATER OJAI SERVICE AREA PROPERTY AND FACILITIES BY THE
CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT AND SUPPORTING APPROVAL
OF THE LEVY OF THE SPECIAL TAX AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2013 the Board of Directors of the Casitas Municipal Water District adopted a Resolution authorizing formation of Casitas Municipal Water District Community Facilities District No. 2013-1 (Ojai), authorizing the levy of a special tax therein, preliminarily establishing an appropriations limit therefore and submitting levy of the special tax and the establishment of the appropriations limit to the qualified voters; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2013 the Board of Directors of the Casitas Municipal Water District adopted a Resolution determining the necessity to incur bonded indebtedness with the Casitas Municipal Water District Community Facilities District No. 2013-1(Ojai) and submitting a proposition to the qualified electors thereof; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2013 the Board of Directors of the Casitas Municipal Water District adopted a resolution calling a special election by way of polling place ballot for the purpose of approving a special tax in the Casitas Municipal Water District Community Facilities District 2013-1 (Ojai), the issuance of bonds by said District, and establishment of an appropriations limit; and

WHEREAS, in its March 8, 2013 staff report to the Board of Directors of the Casitas Municipal Water District, the Casitas Municipal Water District staff and consultants concluded that the cost of acquisition and rehabilitation is feasible with a substantial cushion, and that the Casitas Municipal Water District has the ability to deliver water at a lower cost than a private operator for numerous reasons, including, but not limited to its non-profit status, its exemption from income and property taxes, its allocation of local property taxes, its exemption from jurisdiction by the California Public Utilities Commission, its ability to borrow funds and tax exempt rates, and economies of scale by combination with its existing facilities; and

WHEREAS, in its March 8, 2013 staff report to the Board of Directors for the Casitas Municipal Water District, the staff and special legal council pointed out numerous advantages of governance by a locally elected board, including customers ability to participate in the governance of the water system, the accessibility of board member to the customers and the low cost of an elected governing board; and

WHEREAS, if community facility district bonds are used to acquire and rehabilitate the Golden State Water Ojai Service Area, after thirty years the bonds will be paid off and the customers will be subject only to the much lower water rates charged by the Casitas Municipal Water District and no additional special taxes; and
WHEREAS, the official ballot approved by the Board of Director’s of the Casitas Municipal Water District is attached hereto as “Exhibit A”.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OJAI DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Ojai supports the formation a Community Facilities District to acquire and rehabilitate the Golden State Water Ojai Service Area by the Casitas Municipal Water District,

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Ojai supports the levy of a special tax and establishment of the appropriations limit.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 9th day of April, 2013 by the following vote:
AYES: Blatz, Clapp, Lara, Smith, Strobel
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CITY OF OJAI, CALIFORNIA

[Signature]
Paul Blatz, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Rhonda Basore, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Joseph W. Fletcher, City Attorney
CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2013-1 (OJAI)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL TAX INDEBTEDNESS AND APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT ELECTION

BALLOT MEASURE: Shall the Casitas Municipal Water District Community Facilities District No. 2013-1 (OJAI) (the "CFD") incur an indebtedness and issue bonds in one or more series in the maximum aggregate principal amount of $60,000,000, with interest at a rate or rates not to exceed the maximum interest rate permitted by law at the time of sale of such bonds, the proceeds of which bonds will be used to finance the acquisition and/or construction of certain improvements described in the proceedings to form the CFD (herein, "Facilities"); shall a special tax payable solely from property within the CFD be levied annually, upon property within the CFD to pay for the principal and interest upon such bonds, to fund Facilities, and to pay for the costs of the District in administering the CFD and shall the annual appropriations limit of the CFD be established in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total of all proceeds of the special tax collected annually, and as defined by Article XIIB of the California Constitution, as adjusted for changes in the cost of living and changes in population?

YES: ______

NO: ______