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**Subject:** MCC Update

**Altair Subcommittee.** Today staff (CMO/PW/Planning) met with the Altair Subcommittee Mayor Pro Tem Stewart and Council Member Brown to brief Council on the “Wilder Hills” designation of the escarpment area (2013 City Council Reso). A proposed city sign (metal) was placed on hold over several years to eventually be placed along the Western Bypass. In 2016, discussion with former Council and the Wilder family led to placing the sign temporarily at the dead end near the Temecula Valley interchange (see photo below) until the Western Bypass is constructed, and then moving it to be placed at some point along the bypass road. Given construction of the Temecula Parkway Interchange, Ms. Wilder’s daughter opted not to place the sign at the temporary location until construction of the Temecula Parkway interchange and landscape was complete. Kim Wilder reached out to City staff to move forward with sign at the temporary sign location until the Western Bypass road is constructed since that will take many more years. Another suggestion was made to possibly place the sign on trails along the escarpment Council Member Brown as Pechanga Council Liaison will add this to discussion with Pechanga to ensure a more permanent sign location naming it “Wilder Hills” is placed at an appropriate location upon construction of Western Bypass. Also, staff will update logo on the proposed metal sign (previously designed in 2016/2017) for future discussions. Altair Subcommittee also discussed status of project, and that the Western Bypass Road will need to be named. The Developer (Brookfield) is deferring to the City to name Western Bypass. Subcommittee will research historical names; including potentially Native given the proximity to creation area, etc.



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**RESOLUTION NO. 13-29**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF TEMECULA NAMING WILDER HILLS**

**WHEREAS**, Barbara Helen Wilder, known to all her friends as Bobbe, moved to Temecula in 1994 and became embroiled in a multi-year environmental and legal battle against San Diego Gas & Electric to prevent giant transmission towers from being constructed throughout the hills and neighborhoods of the City of Temecula; and

**WHEREAS**, Bobbe Wilder, along with other Temecula Valley residents and activists, founded Save Southwest Riverside County (SSRC) where Bobbe served as President raising hundreds of thousands of dollars to hire an environmental law firm which ultimately blocked SDGE's massive power line project proposed through Temecula; and

**WHEREAS**, Bobbe Wilder, soon thereafter, emerged again as Co-Chair on Save Our Southwest Hills (SOS) to battle against a new threat to Temecula, Granite Construction's proposed plan to excavate an enormous 1,000-foot deep, 1-mile long, aggregate mine called Liberty Quarry that would blast daily and allow up to 1,800 truck trips of dirt and gravel to be hauled every day in and out of the mine at the edge of Temecula, within the sacred Creation Area of the Luiseño Indians, overlooking the City, and directly in the daily winds of the Valley below; and

**WHEREAS**, Bobbe Wilder, with SOS, fought aggressively over a seven-year battle alongside the City of Temecula, the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians, San Diego State University, other organizations, hundreds of businesses, and thousands of citizens to stop the mining project which abruptly and thankfully ended on November 15, 2012, when the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians purchased the land from Granite Construction; and the Pechanga Pu'éska Mountain, along with the City's clean air and high quality of life was saved once again; and

**WHEREAS**, Bobbe Wilder, known by the residents of Temecula for her tireless community efforts and support, passed away less than six months later on May 3, 2013, knowing that her last two decades on earth devoted to the preservation of so much that is special about our city and region, including its scenic views and fresh air, was successful in the end, and that her valiant efforts will benefit many generations to come;

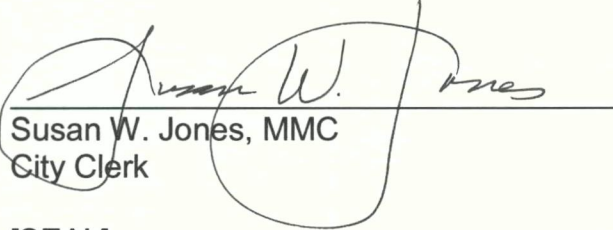
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Temecula, to ensure that current and future residents will be able to remember Barbara Helen Wilder (Bobbe), along with the other leaders and members of Save our Southwest Hills, for their ferocious tenacity, absolute commitment, and endless strength in protecting the beauty and high quality of life in Temecula, do hereby proclaim the hills generally located above Old Town, and as symbolically depicted on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, to be forever known as "Wilder Hills".

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Temecula this 28th day of May, 2013.



Michael S. Naggar, Mayor

ATTEST:



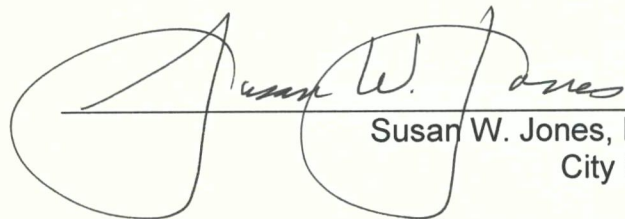
Susan W. Jones, MMC  
City Clerk

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CITY OF TEMECULA )

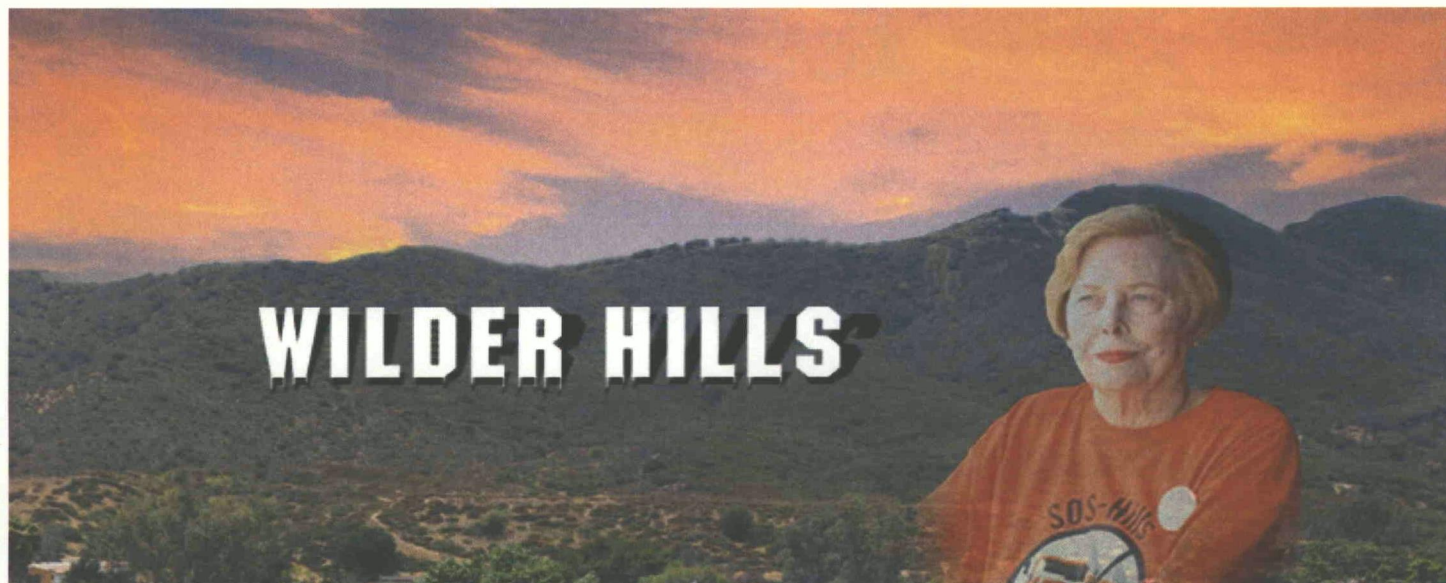
I, Susan W. Jones, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Temecula, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 13-29 was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Temecula at a meeting thereof held on the 28th day of May, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES:	5	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	Comerchero, Edwards, Roberts, Washington, Naggar
NOES:	0	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	0	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	0	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	None



Susan W. Jones, MMC  
City Clerk

Exhibit A  
"Wilder Hills"



48 in

36 in



City Logo  
not seal

Ⓢ Bell Tower

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**In Recognition of Barbara "Bobbe" Wilder**  
for her tireless community efforts to preserve the scenic view of  
Temecula's ridgeline, natural beauty, fresh air & high quality of life

**Dedicated May 28, 2013** *Remove*