RESOLUTION NO. 20-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 85301 AND 83124

WHEREAS, the City of San Gabriel ("City") currently does not have campaign contribution limits or regulations; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 571 ("AB 571") imposes default campaign contribution limits upon cities and counties without campaign contribution limits beginning January 1, 2021. The default contribution limit amount for individual contributors is set at the same amount as for State elected officials as that amount is adjusted by the Fair Political Practices Commission ("FPPC") pursuant to Government Code Sections 85301 and 83124, which is set at $4,900 for elections held in calendar years 2021 and 2022; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 10202 (automatically repealed on January 1, 2021) and Government Code Section 85702.5 (effective on January 1, 2021) further permit the City to establish its own campaign contribution limits that are different from what is established by Government Code Sections 85301 and 83124 by resolution or ordinance; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose and intent of the City Council in enacting this Resolution to preserve an orderly political forum in which individuals and groups may express themselves effectively; to minimize the improper influence, real or potential, of campaign contributors over the City's elected officials; and to place enforceable limits on the amounts of money that may be contributed to political campaigns in municipal elections for City offices; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to remain consistent with state regulations and to have the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) enforce the provisions of the statutes, rather than the City undertaking those administrative duties; and

WHEREAS, based upon the foregoing, the City Council desires to adopt the State's default contribution limits as set by AB 571.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. All of the above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.

SECTION 2. Campaign Contribution Limits. A person shall not make to a candidate for elective city office, and a candidate for elective city office shall not accept from a person, a contribution totaling more than the sum of $4,900 per election, plus such increases as may approved by the Fair Political Practices Commission under Government Code Sections 85301 and 83124.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This campaign contribution limits set by this resolution shall take effect January 1, 2021.
SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and shall enter the same in the Book of Original Resolutions.

APPROVED and PASSED this 15th day of December, 2020.

City of San Gabriel, California

BY: ____________________________

DENISE MENCHACA, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JULIE NGUYEN, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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KEITH LEMIEUX, City Attorney
CERTIFICATION

I, Sharon F. Clark, Chief City Clerk of the City of San Gabriel, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 20-66 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of San Gabriel at a regular meeting held on the 15th day of December, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:        DING, HARRINGTON, PU, LIAO, MENCHACA
NOES:        NONE
ABSTAIN:     NONE
ABSENT:      NONE

Dated: December 17, 2020

[Signature]
SHARON F. CLARK, Chief City Clerk