IDLE-FREE PROCLAMATION FOR MOTORIZED VEHICLES IN ANTIOCH
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WHEREAS, emissions from vehicle idling contribute significantly to air pollution, climate change, increased rates of cancer, and heart and lung diseases, which adversely affect health; and

WHEREAS, emissions from vehicle idling significantly affect the natural environment, air quality and well-being of residents, guests and visitors of Antioch; and

WHEREAS, idling a typical vehicle for longer than ten seconds consumes more fuel than restarting that vehicle, resulting in excessive emissions and wasted fuel; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that we protect the health and well-being of communities most at risk, such as our children, who are the future for our community; and

WHEREAS, every resident can improve Antioch’s air quality by turning off vehicles whenever we are going to idle more than 30 seconds; and

WHEREAS, education about idle reduction can raise community awareness, encourage our community to develop idle free habits; and

WHEREAS, the City of Antioch’s Climate Action Plans outline Education on Low Carbon Transportation as a strategy to help the City meet its climate goals and recommend an idling reduction program for the municipal fleet; and

WHEREAS, the City strives to minimize air pollutant emissions as called for in the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Antioch promotes anti-idling policies and programs as an effort to reduce mobile emissions in addition to the other examples listed in the Antioch General Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SEAN WRIGHT, Mayor of the City of Antioch, County of Contra Costa, State of California, do hereby express concern over the health, safety, and environmental issues associated with car idling, and encourage staff and community members to practice no idling for the greater benefit of the City of Antioch.

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SEAN WRIGHT, Mayor