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**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS SUPPORTING  
THE SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION'S REQUEST THAT THE STATE OF  
NEVADA IMPLEMENT AN ANNUAL DIESEL VEHICLE EMISSION CHECK OR GRANT AUTHORITY  
ALLOWING LOCAL AIR QUALITY AGENCIES TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Las Vegas Valley is currently designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a "nonattainment" area for two criteria pollutants, Carbon Monoxide and Particulate Matter 10; and

WHEREAS, there are other criteria pollutants including, but not limited to Ozone and Particulate Matter 2.5 for which the Las Vegas Valley will be evaluated by the U.S. EPA within the next year; and

WHEREAS, each of the governing entities has the responsibility to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents within their governmental jurisdictions including, but not limited to the planning, compliance, and enforcement of regulations related to air quality; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for collaboration and regional decision-making to address the air quality challenges facing Southern Nevada; and

WHEREAS, heavy duty on-road diesel vehicles operating within Clark County contribute fine particulates (particulate matter 2.5) and ozone precursor emissions that impact visibility; and

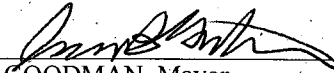
WHEREAS, to improve the region's air quality, it is necessary to implement a program that will test emissions from on-road diesel vehicles to insure that the emissions are in acceptable ranges- a necessary first step to address this problem; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS to support the Regional Planning Coalition's request that the State of Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety develop and implement an annual program for the testing of emissions of on-road heavy duty diesel emissions.

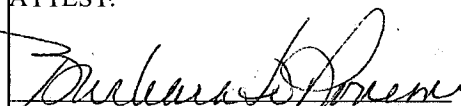
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS to support the Regional Planning Coalition's and its member entities request that the State Legislature grant the authority to local air quality agencies to adopt and implement an annual program for the testing

of emissions of on-road heavy duty diesel vehicles, if it is not feasible for such a program to be administered by the Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2001.  
CITY OF LAS VEGAS

By   
OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
BARBARA JO RONEMUS, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Date