RESOLUTION NO. 2014-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1147 TO AMEND THE EXISTING HEALING ARTS AND MASSAGE THERAPY LEGISLATION

WHEREAS, the City of Stanton is located in northwest Orange County, and is 3.1 square miles in size, with a population of approximately 39,000; and

WHEREAS, prior to the passage of SB 731 in 2008, the City of Stanton had one licensed massage therapist operating out of a doctor’s office; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of SB 731, the City has seen a significant increase in massage establishments, with a total of 30 establishments as of June 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, all of the massage establishments that began operations after the passage of SB 731 have been listed on illicit websites; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stanton has conducted inspections on the massage establishments, and every single establishment has been in violation of the City’s municipal code and the state law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed bill, Assembly Bill 1147 would attempt to address the consequences of the existing law; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1147 that is pending in the California State Legislature, would reinstate authority of local governments to regulate massage establishments, reinstate authority of local governments to charge businesses a license tax without the current restriction implemented under the existing law, clarify local governments rights to charge fees to cover regulatory costs, and create a more balanced California Massage Therapy Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Stanton hereby supports the passage of Assembly Bill 1147 and the modification of the existing massage legislation to provide land use regulating powers back to the city, and to address the illicit consequences of the existing legislation.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify as to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 10th day of June, 2014.

RIGOBERTO A. RAMIREZ, MAYOR

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MATTHEW E. RICHARDSON, CITY ATTORNEY

ATTEST:

I, Patricia A. Vazquez, City Clerk of the City of Stanton, California DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution, being Resolution No. 2014-22 has been duly signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk, all at a regular meeting of the Stanton City Council, held on June 10, 2014, and that the same was adopted, signed and approved by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Donahue, Ethans, Ramirez, Shawver

NOES: None

ABSENT: Warren

ABSTAIN: None

PATRICIA A. VAZQUEZ, CITY CLERK

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