

**President's Project Resolution  
CGCI Gardens at the San Diego River Mission Valley Park**

**Lynne Batchelor 2021-2023**

**Whereas**, The 52 miles of the San Diego River flowing from the mountains in the eastern part of San Diego County to the Pacific Ocean is an area of cultural and environmental significance which provides places for recreation, nature discovery, flora/fauna habitat, and education and,

**Whereas**, The mission of the San Diego River Foundation is to protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources of the river valley, to foster appreciation and stewardship of the area, to encourage communities to embrace and celebrate the river legacy, to create a river-long unified system of parks extending all along the river, to develop open space with places for community plazas, public art and educational facilities and places focused on outdoor activities including walking and horse-riding trails and wilderness areas, and to provide opportunities for community organizations to assist with carrying out this mission, and,

**Whereas**, The San Diego River Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization established in 2001, has built coalitions with many non-profit organizations to provide opportunities for the community to assist with trash removal, construction of new habitats, education of students and the general public, acquisition of new land, and preservation of existing habitats, and,

**Whereas**, The plan for gardens at the San Diego River Mission Valley Park was approved by the City of San Diego in December 2020 and this plan includes an opportunity for organizations to sponsor gardens in the San Diego River Mission Valley Park, and,

**Whereas**, The objectives of California Garden Clubs, Incorporated (CGCI) are as stated in the Articles of Incorporation and also as stated in Article II of the corporation's Bylaws: Section 3: "to assist in projects for the conservation of our natural resources" and Section 5: "to cooperate with other agencies in furthering interests in educational areas", and therefore be it

**Resolved**, That a new Temporarily Restricted Fund be established designated to receive donations and pay expenses specifically for the 2021-2023 President's Project CGCI gardens and signage at the San Diego River Mission Valley Park, and be it

**Resolved**, That all donations (checks made payable to CGCI) be sent to the CGCI State Chairman for the project, who shall keep records of the transactions for CGCI and forward the donations to the CGCI treasurer for deposit into the new Temporarily Restricted Fund established for the 2021-2023 President's Project. These funds shall be transferred to the San Diego River Foundation within 2 weeks of the conclusion of the CGCI Fall and Winter Board Meetings and of the CGCI Convention, and be it

**Resolved**, That any remaining balance as of June 30, 2024 be donated to the San Diego River Foundation designated for use in the gardens at the San Diego River Mission Valley Park.

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