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FINAL, SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL**

A RESOLUTION

**EXPRESSING THE CITY'S OPPOSITION TO THE TRANSPORTATION
OF HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE THROUGH THE CITY AND
EXPRESSING THE SAFETY CONCERNS TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR
REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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WHEREAS, on April 28, 2016, Waste Control Specialists, LLC (WCS) applied to the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for a license to construct and operate a Consolidated Interim Storage Facility (CISF) for spent nuclear fuel at the present WCS facility in Andrews County, Texas, approximately 350 miles northwest of San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, in response to the WCS license application to the NRC, on February 21, 2017, Bexar County Commissioners approved a "Resolution to Protect our Lives, Land and Water from Radioactive Waste Risks" stating that "Bexar County does not support or consent to consolidated interim storage of radioactive waste in Texas and New Mexico, or the transportation of high-level radioactive waste on our railways or highways for the purpose of consolidated storage or permanent disposal of high-level radiation waste in Texas or New Mexico"; and

WHEREAS, a Council Consideration Request was authored by Council member Nirenberg on March 8, 2017, in opposition to the CSF which focused on the risks related to the transport of high-level radioactive waste through the San Antonio area for the purpose of unnecessary storage and the increased risk of accidents or terrorism activity; and

WHEREAS, the City supports the Bexar County Resolution and agrees that the transportation of high-level radioactive waste through San Antonio would pose a significant danger; that our lives, land and aquifers must be protected from radioactive contamination which could result from accidents, radiation releases or leaks, or terrorist actions during the thousands of high-level radioactive waste shipments that would occur for a period of many years, if the waste is transported through the City; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City of San Antonio opposes the transportation of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste on the railways or highways through the City.

SECTION 2. The transportation of high-level radioactive waste through the City is a grave concern and poses a significant safety risk to the citizens of the entire area. The City of San Antonio supports the Bexar County "Resolution to Protect our Lives, Land and Water from

Radioactive Waste Risks” as it pertains to the transportation of high-level radioactive waste through the area. A copy of the Bexar County Resolution is attached as **Attachment 1** to this Resolution.

SECTION 3. The City Manager, or her designee, is authorized to provide this Resolution to the NRC and to inform all parties of the City of San Antonio’s safety concerns and opposition to the transportation of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste through the City. The City Manager, or her designee, is further authorized to assess options for the City to file a petition to intervene in, or request a hearing on, the WCS license application; to continue to monitor the status of the WCS license application; to participate as a non-party in the license application process as appropriate; and monitor transportation permit applications to the NRC.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes, or, in the event eight affirmative votes are not received, ten days after approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ___ day of _____ 2017.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney