RESOLUTION NO. 19-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE MORAGA-ORINDA FIRE DISTRICT ADOPTING A MODIFIED SCHEDULE OF COST RECOVERY FEES FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2001, the Moraga-Orinda Fire District of Contra Costa County ("District") enacted District Ordinance No. 01-01 (the "Ordinance"), which authorized the formulation of a schedule of fees and collection policies as provided in Health & Safety Code section 13916, a portion of the Fire Protection District Law of 1987 (Health & Safety Code sections 13800 *et seq.*); and,

WHEREAS, the Ordinance provides that the Ordinance Fee Schedule may be modified on an annual basis by a Resolution of the District Board; and,

WHEREAS, notice has been given for the consideration of the modified fees set forth herein below, consistent with applicable law; and,

WHEREAS, because of Medicare fee reductions and the actual costs expended by the District for providing ambulance and emergency medical services have increased; and,

WHEREAS, the District is authorized under Health & Safety Code section 13916 to recover its actual costs in association with the furnishing of ambulance service and other authorized service of the District; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the fees for ambulance transport as adopted in a Master Fee Schedule of the District for ambulance transport are modified to provide for the imposition of the following fees upon rendering of the described service effective July 1, 2019:

- Increase Base Rates as follows:
 - ➤ Emergency Ambulance Response Base Rate from \$2,500 to \$2,600
 - First Responder Fee from \$600 to \$624
 - ➤ Mileage from to \$40 per mile to \$42 per mile
 - Oxygen from \$125 to \$130

MOFD currently bills for non-transport emergency medical services when patients are assessed and treated on scene but decline transport services. Current industry standards support cost recovery for non-transport services and the Assessment Without Transport Fee cost recovery schedule is increased from \$600 to \$624 effective July 1, 2019; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Board finds that the increases in emergency medical services fees are necessary to offset increased costs and the Medicare fee reductions, and are reasonable in the amount adopted.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 19th day of June, 2019 at the regular meeting of the District Board of Directors held on June 19, 2019 at 1500 Saint Mary's Road, Moraga, California, 94556, on motion made by Director <u>Donner</u>, seconded by Director <u>Baitx</u>, and duly carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS BAITX, DONNER, JEX, AND DANZIGER

NOES:

ABSENT: DIRECTOR JORGENS

ABSTAIN:

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Dated: June 19, 2019

Steven Danziger, President

Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Patricia Edwards, Interim District Clerk