RESOLUTION NO._____(CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING THE INCREASE OF TWO (2) FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER POSITIONS IN THE WATSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR A TOTAL OF 74 SWORN POSITIONS TO MAINTAIN STAFFING LEVELS

WHEREAS, in FY 20-21, the Watsonville Police Department (WPD) eliminated five (5) sworn positions due to the anticipated budget challenges caused by COVID-19, creating a staffing shortage in the patrol division; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to address anticipated staffing needs, the WPD is proposing to hire two (2) additional full-time police officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That page 382 of the Council's adopted Watsonville Biennial Final Budget 2021-2023 is amended to increase the number of authorized Police Officer positions from 42 to 44.
- 2. That the increase of two (2) full-time police officer positions in the Watsonville Police Department budget for a total of 74 sworn positions to maintain staffing levels is hereby approved.
