Ordinance No.

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 2-55 OF THE SONOMA COUNTY CODE TO INCREASE CERTAIN DELEGATED PURCHASING AUTHORITY FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, ordains as follows:

Section I. Purpose. To facilitate administrative and operational efficiencies, this amendment is adopted to increase the dollar amount of goods that may be procured by County department heads.

Section II. Amendment. Paragraph (a) of Section 2-55 ("Central purchasing-Exceptions") of the Sonoma County Code is amended to read as follows (text to be added is shown in **bold italics**, text to be deleted is shown in **strikethrough**):

(a) Purchases under of goods twenty-five hundredseven thousand dollars (\$2,500)(\$7,000) and under. Purchases of goods and services under of twenty-five hundredseven thousand dollars (\$2,500)(\$7,000) or under per transaction may be authorized by a department head without the prior approval of the purchasing agent Purchasing Agent, under authority and procedures as directed by the purchasing agentPurchasing Agent and the county auditor County Auditor. Splitting or separating purchases for the purpose of circumventing this limit is prohibited;

Section III. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and every section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section IV. This Ordinance shall be and the same is hereby declared to be in full force and effect from and after thirty (30) days after the date of its passage and shall be published once before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after said passage, with the names of the Supervisors voting for or against the same, in *The Press Democrat*, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Sonoma, State of California.

In regular session of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, introduced on the X day of X, 20__, and finally passed and adopted this X day of X, 20__, on regular roll call of the members of said Board by the following vote:

Supervisors:

Gorin: Rabbitt: Coursey: Hopkins: Gore: