

**RESOLUTION NO. 8536**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN  
APPROPRIATION SPENDING LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-  
2026 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE XIII B OF THE STATE  
CONSTITUTION**

**WHEREAS**, in 1979, California voters passed Proposition 4 (the “Gann Spending Limit Initiative”), which limits the annual growth in the City’s General Fund spending (or appropriations) by an amount determined pursuant to a formula that takes into account the percentage increase in the City of Hawthorne’s population and inflation for the previous year; and

**WHEREAS**, the limitation applies to appropriations that are funded from revenue attributed to the “Proceeds from Taxes” (such as Sales Tax, Property Tax, Motor Vehicle License Fees, Business Licenses, etc.) but not to appropriations funded by user fees or taxes collected to pay long-term debt obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hawthorne has calculated the appropriations limit for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 based on the formula to be \$103,863,108, as described in Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by this reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the calculations are reviewed annually by the City of Hawthorne’s independent auditors for accuracy and compliance with the provisions of Article XIII B of the State Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Hawthorne wishes to adopt the aforementioned appropriations limits for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA**, hereby resolves as follows:

**Section 1.** The City Council of the City of Hawthorne, California, hereby incorporates by reference all the recitals herein and finds that they are true and correct.

**Section 2.** The City Council of the City of Hawthorne, California, hereby adopts the annual appropriations spending limit for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 of \$103,863,108, in compliance with Article XIII B of the State Constitution

**Section 3.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall cause this Resolution and his certification to be entered in the Book of Resolutions of the Council of the City.

**Section 4.** This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption thereof.

**PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

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**ALEX VARGAS, Mayor**  
**City of Hawthorne, California**

**ATTEST:**

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**DAYNA WILLIAMS-HUNTER, City Clerk**  
**City of Hawthorne, California**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**ROBERT M. KIM, City Attorney**  
**City of Hawthorne, California**