

RESOLUTION NO. 2015 – 048

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIO VISTA
REQUESTING SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DESIGNATE THE CITY
OF RIO VISTA FIRE STATION AS A SAFE SURRENDER SITE**

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2001, SB 1368 (Statutes, 2000) took effect, enacting a law that provides for the health and safety of unwanted newborn children, also known as California's "Safely Surrendered Baby law"; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Safely Surrendered Baby law, Penal Code 271.5 allows an individual to confidentially surrender an unharmed newborn three days old or younger at any hospital emergency room or other designated safe haven site without fear of criminal prosecution; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has legislated all public and private emergency rooms a safe haven sites and designated the Board of Supervisors of a county to designate other safe surrender sites within their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, July 6, 2010, the County of Solano passed Resolution No. 2010-76, requesting Solano County Cities or other public agencies to submit a resolution seeking designation of specific public facilities as Safe Surrender sites; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Rio Vista, its residents and others to designate the Rio Vista Fire Station as an additional Safe Surrender site; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIO VISTA as follows:

1. That Council agrees to designate the Rio Vista Fire Station as a Safe Surrender site replacing the Rio Vista Police Department; and
2. That Council requests the Solano County Board of Supervisors to remove the City of Rio Vista Police Station and designate the City of Rio Vista Fire Station as a suitable, additional Safe Surrender site for the surrender of newborns 72 hours or younger, pursuant to Penal Code Section 271.5.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of **June 2015** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Kott, McCracken, Vice Mayor Hampton & Mayor Richardson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Boulware
ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:


Anna Olea-Moger, CMC, City Clerk