

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 04

**RESOLUTION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
CONSOLIDATED FIRE AGENCIES ("CONFIRE")**

**ADOPTION OF PARTICIPATION IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION ("SBCERA")**

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Fire Agencies ("CONFIRE") is a joint powers authority duly organized and existing under Section 6500 et seq. of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, CONFIRE was created on September 21, 1990, located in San Bernardino County, California, established to provide communication, dispatch, computer information systems support, and geographic information systems to CONFIRE members and contract agencies; and

WHEREAS, CONFIRE, as of the date of this Agreement consists of the following JPA MEMBER AGENCIES:

- Apple Valley Fire Protection District
- Chino Valley Independent Fire District
- City of Colton
- City of Loma Linda
- Rancho Cucamonga Fire District
- City of Redlands
- City of Rialto
- San Bernardino County Fire District
- City of Victorville; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of CONFIRE, the provision of employee pay and benefits, including State Disability Insurance (SDI) has been administered by the County of San Bernardino on behalf of CONFIRE under the County's State Employee Identification Number (SEIN); and

WHEREAS, commencing in fiscal year 2023/24 CONFIRE will assume the administrative role of reporting employee information to the State Employment Development Department (EDD); and

WHEREAS, this role requires CONFIRE to obtain its own State Employee Identification Number and State Disability Insurance account and transition its existing employees accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the two effected labor groups, known as "Emergency Services Dispatchers of San Bernardino County" and " Non-Represented Compensation Plan", have been receiving State Disability Insurance benefits from CONFIRE for many years; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement with the Emergency Services Dispatchers of San Bernardino County is in effect from 2022-2025 and the Non-Represented Compensation Plan is in effect from 2023-2025

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrative Committee of CONFIRE finds that it is the best interest of CONFIRE and its employees to maintain the continuity of these historic benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrative Committee authorizes its Director and delegated staff to acquire the appropriate State Employee Identification Number and State Disability Insurance account and work with the County of San Bernardino to transition all CONFIRE employees to this newly established account.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of August, 2023.

ATTEST:

Fire Chief Dan Harker, Chair

Nathan Cooke, Interim Director and Secretary of the Administrative Committee