EXHIBIT "A"

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 5.32 OF THE RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE RATE OF THE CITY'S EXISTING TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX FROM ELEVEN PERCENT (11%) TO TWELVE PERCENT (12%) EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012, AND TO THIRTEEN PERCENT (13%), EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

The People of the City of Riverside do ordain as follows:

Section 1: Section 5.32.020 of Chapter 5.32 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

"Section 5.32.020 Tax Imposed.

For the privilege of occupancy in any hotel, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of eleven percent of the rent charged by the operator. Effective July 1, 2012 and thereafter, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of twelve percent (12%) of the rent charged by the operator. Effective July 1, 2014 and thereafter, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of thirteen percent (13%) of the rent charged by the operator. The tax constitutes a debt owed by the transient to the City which is extinguished only by payment to the operator or to the City. The transient shall pay the tax to the operator of the hotel at the time the rent is paid. If the rent is paid in installments, a proportionate share of the tax shall be paid with each installment. The unpaid tax shall be due upon the transient's ceasing to occupy space in the hotel. If for any reason the tax due is not paid to the operator of the hotel, the Tax Administrator may require that such tax shall be paid directly to the Tax Administrator."

Section 2: Notwithstanding Section 9217 of the California Elections Code, without a vote of the People, the City Council may do any and all of the following: (i) repeal this Ordinance; (ii) reduce the rate of the transient occupancy tax below thirteen percent (13%); or (iii) increase the rate of the transient occupancy tax to thirteen percent (13%) if it has been previously reduced below such rate. In no event, however, shall the City Council increase the rate of the transient occupancy tax in excess of thirteen percent (13%) without approval by a majority of the voters voting in an election on the increase.

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I, Colleen J. Nicol, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the
foregoing ordinance was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the People of the City of
Riverside voting on the 2nd day of November, 2010.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the
City of Riverside, California, this day of, 2010.
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