# ORDINANCE NO. 57

## ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGARDING DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors previously adopted Ordinance No. 56 governing the compensation to be paid to members of the Board of Directors of the Municipal Water District of Orange County, and to those members of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California representing the Municipal Water District of Orange County (collectively referred to as the MWDOC Board of Directors), in accordance with Chapter 2 of Division 10 of the Water Code of the State of California (Water Code § 20200 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, by law, the compensation to be paid to the MWDOC Board of Directors may be increased annually by ordinance, with an increase that may not exceed 5% per year since the last increase; and

WHEREAS, the last compensation increase for the MWDOC Board of Directors occurred in July 2025 and the current Director compensation is $335.62. As a result, the MWDOC Board of Directors has the discretion to increase the Director compensation up to $16.78 (5%) since the last increase, to a maximum amount of $352.40.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of Municipal Water District of Orange County as follows:

**Section 1.** That Ordinance No. 56 is hereby superseded and repealed effective upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

**Section 2.** Effective July 1, 2026, the per diem compensation for the MWDOC Board of Directors shall increase by 3.2% from $335.62 to $346.36.

**Section 3.** Any future MWDOC Board of Directors compensation increase will be enacted only by ordinance and following a public hearing.

**Section 4.** CEQA Exemption. The MWDOC Board of Directors finds that adoption of this Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15358 (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) of the CEQA Guidelines, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly. Moreover, the MWDOC Board of Directors finds that this Ordinance is also exempt under CEQA pursuant to Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (there exists no possibility that the activity will have a significant adverse effect on the environment) because this Ordinance will not cause a change in any of the physical conditions within the area affected by the Ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Municipal Water District of Orange County at its regular meeting held on April 15, 2026, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Thomas
NOES: Directors Seckel, Crane, and Yoo Schneider
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Angela Crespi
District Secretary
Municipal Water District of Orange County