DEPARTMENT: Administration  BY: Rick Benson
PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Declare Friday, December 26, 2008, a County holiday. Traditionally the President of the United States issues an executive order closing all executive branch departments and agencies of the Federal Government on the day after Christmas when December 26th falls on a Friday. Although not required, customarily when the President issues such an order, Mariposa County also closes. This action will allow county staff to enjoy the holiday weekend with their families.

There are indirect costs associated with this action as it will be adding one additional holiday. Staff has discussed this action with affected departments that have personnel working holidays, and the additional pay will be minimal and able to be absorbed within their existing budgets. It should also be noted that there will be some small savings in utilities, fuel consumption, etc. with county offices being closed.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board adopted Resolution #07-585 on December 18, 2007, declaring Monday, December 24, 2007, as a county holiday.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not declare Friday, December 26, 2008, as a county holiday. County offices will remain open this day.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes ( X ) No Current FY Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $ Additional Funding Needed: $
Source: List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue 4/5's vote
Transfer Between Funds 4/5's vote
Contingency 4/5's vote
( ) General ( ) Other

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 52-579  Ord. No. _____ Vote – Ayes: ____ Noes: ____
Absent: _____ Approved _____ Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: __________________________
Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
Requested Action Recommended
____ No Opinion
Comments:

Revised Dec. 2002
Executive Order: Closing of Executive Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government on Friday, December 26, 2008

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. All executive branch departments and agencies of the Federal Government shall be closed and their employees excused from duty on Friday, December 26, 2008, the day after Christmas Day, except as provided in section 2 of this order.

Sec. 2. The heads of executive branch departments and agencies may determine that certain offices and installations of their organizations, or parts thereof, must remain open and that certain employees must report for duty on December 26, 2008, for reasons of national security or defense or other public need.

Sec. 3. Friday, December 26, 2008, shall be considered as falling within the scope of Executive Order 11582 of February 11, 1971, and of 5 U.S.C. 5546 and 6103(b) and other similar statutes insofar as they relate to the pay and leave of employees of the United States.

Sec. 4. This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, by any party against the United States, its agencies, instrumentalities, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

GEORGE W. BUSH

THE WHITE HOUSE,

December 12, 2008.

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