MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NUMBER 06-303

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING PASTOR PAUL THEISS FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY OF MARIPOSA

WHEREAS, PASTOR PAUL THEISS, after eighteen years of service at Mariposa Lutheran Church, has been called by the Sierra Pacific Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to serve as Pastor Developer of a church in Fernley, Nevada; and

WHEREAS, PASTOR THEISS was originally called by the local Congregation in 1988 as their first full time Pastor. Theiss, his wife Nancy Satterford and their 3 children Mary, Martin and David arrived in September of that year from San Francisco and have been active in the church and in the community ever since. All 3 children graduated from Mariposa High School; and

WHEREAS, PASTOR THEISS has been a thoughtful participant with great leadership as a member of the Mariposa County Mental Health Board from 2001 to 2006, expressing his belief in the value of counseling and therapeutic services for all people who desire them, and his dedication to the emotional well being of individuals and the county wide community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, PASTOR THEISS has also participated in many other community activities and organizations such as Manna House, John C. Fremont Healthcare District, Joint Youth Ministry, served as a Soccer Coach, spoke at the Mariposa Government Center and Composting Facility Grand Openings, and in many other civic capacities. His wife Nancy leaves a position at John C. Fremont Healthcare District; and

WHEREAS, during PASTOR THEISS' tenure at the local church the congregation grew and expanded to 2 services prompting additional staff and the facilities were enlarged to include a social hall, enclosed school room and large kitchen; and

WHEREAS, PASTOR THEISS along with his congregation hosted several functions raising thousands of dollars for needy families, was joined by St. Joseph’s Catholic Church and the United Methodist Church to form a Joint Youth Ministry, and Cell Ministry was begun. His wife, Nancy, organized the Children’s Church, sang with the Choir and the Praise Team and was a member of the Bell Choir; and

WHEREAS, although this new opportunity offers the Theiss family a chance to continue developing the small group ministry in a new setting, PASTOR THEISS will be greatly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a political subdivision of the State of California, commends PASTOR PAUL THEISS for his outstanding service to the citizens of Mariposa County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 11th day of July, 2006, by unanimous vote.

LEE STETSON, District I Supervisor

DIANNE FRITZ, District IV Supervisor

LYLE TURPIN, District II Supervisor

BOB PICKARD, District V Supervisor

JANET BIBBY, District III Supervisor