A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING
DENNIS BAKER
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE
MT. BULLION YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP

WHEREAS, DENNIS BAKER began his Youth Authority career on April 10, 1972, as a high school
teacher at Mt. Bullion Youth Conservation Camp, starting with no materials and few guidelines and building a
successful education program that was used as a model for other Youth Authority Camps; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS became an Assistant Head Group Supervisor in July 1988, assuming the
responsibilities of Assistant Superintendent without the title when budget cuts slashed the position in 1991; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS was promoted to the restored Assistant Superintendent position in January 1997,
and was appointed Camp Superintendent of Mt. Bullion Conservation Camp on January 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS and his tremendous dedication toward educational needs caused him to develop
many innovative programs and instructional units that are still being used today, including G.E.D. preparation;
employability skills and vocational training; utilizing the federally funded Job Training Program Act; E.C.I.A.
grant money for computers in the classroom; art, theater, and psychodrama teaching self expression; nutrition,
diet and exercise teaching self-improvement; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS was instrumental in building an exceptional and varied ward library for the Mt.
Bullion Conservation Camp that exceeds Youth Authority standards; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS received the "Education Advocate" Excellence in Education Award,
exemplifying the Department's appreciation for his efforts; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS, as an Administrator, has set high standards for himself and taught staff to have
high expectations for themselves. His integrity and selfless dedication to Mt. Bullion Conservation Camp wards
and staff has resulted in an award winning Safety Program, highly trained staff, community appreciation for the
Camp's achievements and a positive leadership role with local law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS has organized the Camp Team for the Relay for Life Event, served as a member
of the National Guard and is a Board Member for Mountain Crisis; and

WHEREAS, DENNIS will be able to spend more time with his wife Carolyn and their children Toni,
Kristen and John, and his hobbies of golf, bowling & RVing and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a
political subdivision of the State of California, hereby recognizes and congratulates DENNIS BAKER upon his
retirement from the Mt. Bullion Youth Conservation Camp.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 22nd day of July
2003, by unanimous vote.