DEPARTMENT: Board

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No_x__) Resolution and County tile plaque recognizing Arthur G. Baggett, Jr., for his outstanding service to Mariposa County as District I Supervisor.
Resolution and plaque will be prepared for presentation on Tuesday.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
None on this request.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
1) Approve and present resolution and plaque.

COSTS:
(x) Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY
B. Total anticipated costs
C. Required additional funding
D. Internal transfers

SOURCE:
( ) 4/5ths Vote Required
A. Unanticipated revenues
B. Reserve for contingencies
C. Source description:
Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:
✓ Recommended
✓ Not Recommended
✓ For Policy Determination
✓ Submitted with Comment
✓ Returned for Further Action
Comment:

A.O. Initials: D.W.

Action Form Revised 5/92
MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NUMBER 94-545

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ARTHUR G. BAGGETT, JR., FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO MARIPOSA COUNTY, AND MORE PARTICULARLY FOR FULFILLING HIS ROLE AS DISTRICT I SUPERVISOR WITH DEDICATION AND INTEGRITY

WHEREAS, ARTHUR G. BAGGETT, JR., was elected to the office of District I Supervisor in June of 1986, and while serving in this capacity, has provided the County of Mariposa with eight years of dedicated and responsible service; and

WHEREAS, ART has a very diverse educational background which includes a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Cincinnati, Cum Laude in 1973; Master of Science degree in Environmental Studies from Antioch University in 1980; and in 1993, ART received his Juris Doctor Degree from San Joaquin College of Law in Fresno with distinction (top ten percent, Student Bar representative, member of the Agricultural Law Review, member of the Delta Kappa Phi, Hollis Best Senate, and a member of the California Bar Environmental Section), while concurrently serving as a County Supervisor;

WHEREAS, during ART's two terms in office, he has fulfilled his responsibilities as a Supervisor with great integrity and is credited for bringing this County's government into the modern era while supporting, establishing, or addressing the following issues of concern: modern zoning ordinances and land use policies for Mariposa County, including rewriting of Title 17; County "window period" commercial rezonings; Mariposa County Courthouse restoration project and preservation, resulting in many awards; road improvement and circulation policy; protecting individual property rights while preserving the environment; initiation of a study to improve promotional efforts for Mariposa County; implementation of enhanced solid waste disposition; hazardous waste management plan; working with several Town Planning Advisory Areas - El Portal, Midpines, Fish Camp, Wawona, Yosemite and Yosemite West; streamlining county permit and subdivision process; construction of the Juvenile Detention Facility; implementation of Health Departmental programs, such as gray water, perinatal care, and the underground tank program; establishment of an emergency reserve account during a financial crunch and a streamlined budget process; Space Needs Master Plan; formation of organized employee labor relation associations; Lodging Council matching grant program; a new County Adult Detention Facility; constructing a continuous left-turn lane; prevailing wages; group homes; zones of benefit; Yosemite Valley Railroad; reappropriation; biodiversity; Mariposa Creek beautification project, Coakley Circle/Mariposa Roadside Rest project; Mariposa Senior Activity Center; Wawona Specific Plan; Wawona fence wars; Tenaya Lodge; State fire safety standards; housing element update; Mariposa Vista Estates project; South Shore Club at Lake Don Pedro; Mariposa-Yosemite Airport Master Plan and Comprehensive Land Use Plan; Earth Day; Foresta's rebuilding, after the devastating fire; Sierra Summit; worked to establish the first County/School shared library in El Portal; Midpines Community Park improvements; Merced River Trail project; established a sister-county relationship to foster successful cultural exchange programs with the Soviet Union; and is a strong supporter of the Highway 140 Transportation System, which in many cases is the only means of transportation for County residents or commuters. Additionally, ART initiated smoking restrictions for Mariposa County buildings and work areas. ART has personally and professionally dealt with issues on day care/child care; youth and teen programs; served as a member of the Family Economic Policy Task Force; and spoke at the 1988 Local Government Commission Child Care Conference; and

WHEREAS, ART has worked to establish and receive funding for Calaveras-Mariposa County Community Action Agency; establishment of the Community Services Department, which includes Veterans Services, Senior Supportive Services, Senior Nutrition Services, Transit Services, Cemetery Services, Public Guardian and Conservator Services; creation of the trial court consolidation; assisted with the formation of the Housing and Community Development Agency, which includes Calaveras/Mariposa County Community Action Agency, Head Start, Housing Authority of the County of Mariposa, and recreation programs; hiring the first local County Librarian, and upgrading library services; reorganization of the Public Works Department; expansion of the Mariposa County Health Department; consolidation of the County Clerk and Public Administrator's functions with the Treasurer/Tax Collector; relocation of Recording functions to the Assessor's Office; developed the County Fire/Emergency Services Department, including hiring the County's first Fire Chief; hiring the first County Administrative Officer; starting a Data Processing Department and Personnel Department; and consolidation of the air pollution and environmental health functions with the Planning and Building Department; implemented enhancements to the 9-1-1 Sheriff's dispatch project, 24-hour patrol service; establishment of the GAIN Program under the direction of the Welfare Director to provide job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, ART has demonstrated his leadership qualities on numerous committees, commissions and boards, especially while serving in the capacity of Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in 1990 and 1994, and representing the
County on the following: Executive Committee for the Regional Council of Rural Counties; California State Association of Counties and on the Family Economic Policies Task Force; Calaveras-Mariposa Community Action Agency; Countywide Library Committee; Architectural Selection Committee for the County Government Center; Chairman of the Local Transportation Commission Technical Advisory Committee; Mariposa County Mental Health Advisory Board/Self-Esteem Task Force; Local Agency Formation Commission; National Association of Counties Public Lands Steering Committee; County Medical Services Small County Advisory Board; Alpine, Mother Lode Emergency Medical Services Agency and Regional Advisory Board; League of California Cities; Wawona Appeals Board; County Emergency Medical Care and Subcommittee; Environmental Review-Technical Advisory Committee; Human Services Task Force; Child Care Subcommittee; Co-Chairman of the Solid Waste Recycling Task Force; Chairman of the California Energy Commission Local Government Advisory Board; Yosemite Transit Ad Hoc Task Force; liaison to the Mountain Counties Air Basin Control Council; Saxon Creek Committee; Mother Lode Job Training Governing Board; San Joaquin Valley Supervisors Association; Chairman of the Mountain Counties Air Basin; Vice-Chairman of the San Joaquin Valleywide Air Pollution Study Agency; Chairman of the Yosemite Area Travelers Information System; CSAC Ad Hoc Committee on Clean Air Act Amendments; Yosemite Centennial Committee; Chairman of the County Water Agency; Mountain Counties Water Resources Association; and

WHEREAS, ART is well respected for his thoughts and efforts in preserving Mariposa's beauty resulting in the Mariposa Town Planning Area Specific Plan Update, including design review/historic design review standards for Mariposa and Coulterville Town Planning Areas; designation of Highway 140 as a Scenic Highway and proposal for Highway 49 South as a Scenic Highway; development of tourism and economic programs; provided support of the Chamber of Commerce; California State Mining and Mineral Exhibit; and was instrumental in securing the Wild and Scenic Designation for the Merced River Canyon, including attending hearings in Washington, D.C. ART has always demonstrated a concern for an adequate quantity of quality water, for the present and future, while protecting water rights for counties of origin. ART was extremely instrumental in developing a water supply for Mariposa County from the Merced River, and exploring water supply alternatives with respect to the Saxon Creek Project. ART has a genuine concern for people, the environment, and the betterment for future generations, and has drafted and successfully lobbied for legislation in environmental health, transportation, and child care fields at federal, state and local levels, including presenting testimony. At one time, there was even an idea formulated by the proposed Mermaid project to name a lake "Lake Baggett"; and

WHEREAS, ART is known for his down-to-earth personality and his eager participation at local events and fund-raisers, ART doesn't only join in the fun, but he gets his family involved as well. For example, an "Evening on the Green" debuted "Four BAGGETT's and a WEBER", consisting of ART, his brother DAVID, ART's son FRITZ, daughter ALLISON, and wife PHYLLIS WEBER, playing an assortment of tunes and entertaining into the night. ART's helpfulness is clearly demonstrated by his support of community activities including the Yosemite Area Council, Boy Scouts of America Executive committee, Eagle Scouts; Yosemite Conservation Club; El Portal Parent/Teacher Association; and as a member of the El Portal Volunteer Fire Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a political subdivision of the State of California, that ARTHUR G. BAGGETT, JR., is hereby recognized for his eight years of outstanding service to Mariposa County, and more particularly for fulfilling his role as District I Supervisor with dedication and integrity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 20th day of December, 1994, by unanimous vote.

DOUG BALMAIN, District II

GARRY R. PARKER, District IV

ERIC J. ERICKSON, District III

GERTRUDE R. TABER, District V