RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes__ No_x__)

Resolutions recognizing Yosemite Park and Curry Company for outstanding service and dedication to Yosemite National Park and for contributions on behalf of Mariposa County.

Resolutions will be available for presentation on Tuesday.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

None on this request.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1) Pass and adopt resolutions.
2) Do not approve and resolutions would not be presented.

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Ord. No.: 93-5314, 93-532

Vote - Ayes: 5  Absent: 0

Approved: 5  Denied: 0  Minute Order Attached: No  No Action Necessary

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

Date:

ATTEST: MARIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: Deputy

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: CW

Action Form Revised 5/92
A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK AND FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS ON BEHALF OF MARIPOSA COUNTY

WHEREAS, YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY ("CURRY CO.") had its humble beginnings in June, 1899 when "Camp Sequoia" was established at an abandoned camp located at the base of Glacier Point for Redwood City school teachers David and Jennie Curry. Over the years, the camp became popularly known as "Curry Camping Company"; and

WHEREAS, by 1925 Curry Camping Company had grown and evolved into YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY, becoming the official concessionnaire for Yosemite National Park with the responsibility for feeding, lodging and caring for millions of visitors over the years; and

WHEREAS, CURRY CO. has been dedicated to preserving the environment and the natural resources of Yosemite National Park by continuous educational programs both for visitors to the Park and the thousands of employees it hires; and

WHEREAS, CURRY CO. has improved the environment in the Park by relocating many of its support operations and functions outside the Park boundaries and by contracting out many of its services. CURRY CO. instituted the free park shuttle bus system for visitors to the Park and financially supports the use of car pools by employees thereby reducing traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, CURRY CO. has donated many buildings and damaged structures to the National Park Service for removal thereby allowing those areas to revert to nature. CURRY CO. has cooperated with the National Park Service and other agencies in wildlife protection programs and the restoration of native vegetation, and has supported the Wild and Scenic status for the Merced River; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa has enjoyed a close and cooperative relationship with YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY over the years, which has resulted in benefits to both the Park and the County; and

WHEREAS, YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY will be gone but not forgotten and will remain in the hearts and memories of the citizenry of Mariposa County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, a political subdivision of the State of California, that YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY is hereby recognized for long and outstanding service as concessionnaire for Yosemite National Park, and for its outstanding achievements as a leader in the protection of our nation's natural resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of October, 1993, by unanimous vote.

ARTHUR G. BAGGETT JR., District I
DOUG BALMAIN, District II
ERIC J. ERICKSON, District III

GARRY R. PARKER, District IV
GERTRUDE R. TABER, District V
A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EDWARD C. "ED" HARDY FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS PRESIDENT OF YOSEMITE PARK AND CURRY COMPANY AND FOR HIS DEDICATION TO THE STEWARDSHIP OF YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

WHEREAS, EDWARD C. "ED" HARDY has served with distinction as president of Yosemite Park and Curry Company since November, 1973; and

WHEREAS, ED will be remembered for his love for Yosemite National Park, and for his educational programs for both employees and visitors outlining their responsibilities in protecting the fragile environment of the Park; and

WHEREAS, ED'S leadership in addressing environmental concerns has proved him ahead of the times, leading to Yosemite Park and Curry Company being named 1991 recipient of the prestigious Take Pride in California and Take Pride in America Awards for education and communications; and

WHEREAS, his recycling program in Yosemite National Park has been nationally recognized and has been implemented in many other national parks; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that in its first full 18 years since implementation, the recycling program under ED'S direction has recovered 7,130 tons of material, effectively keeping 121,636 cubic yards of refuse out of the Mariposa County landfill; and

WHEREAS, ED has demonstrated his belief that an employer should return benefits to the local community and to surrounding communities in numerous ways, including financial, by his support of local schools, Little League, Soccer League, Softball League, and the Day Care Center; and

WHEREAS, ED has worked in a spirit of cooperation with local entities for the common good of the surrounding counties while being committed to the preservation of the national park; and

WHEREAS, ED'S "hands-on" method of administration and his candid and straight answers to questions have streamlined the working relationship of those dealing with Yosemite Park and Curry Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, a political subdivision of the State of California, that EDWARD C. HARDY is hereby recognized for his long and fruitful service as president of Yosemite Park and Curry Company and for his spirit of cooperation with the governing body of Mariposa County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of October, 1993, by unanimous vote.

ARTHUR G. BAGGETT, JR., District I

DOUG BALMAIN, District II

ERIC J. ERICKSON, District III

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