

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION 91- 109

WHEREAS, Mariposa County is a small rural County in California with limited resources to provide public health services; and

WHEREAS, the need for public health services in Mariposa County is out of proportion to its population due to a seasonal tourist population which exceeds two million visitors; and

WHEREAS, Mariposa County is required under State law to implement State mandated public health programs with no exclusion from these responsibilities allowed based upon the size of the county; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Health Services has provided for decades the necessary staffing and technical assistance to provide public health to the citizens and visitors of Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS, eleven other rural counties in California have similar contracts for rural services provided at the local level by state staff; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget of the Governor of the State of California eliminates the program at the Department of Health Services which provides for public health services in Mariposa County, as well as in similarly situated counties, and provides a revenue source to the County under "realignment" of those services and

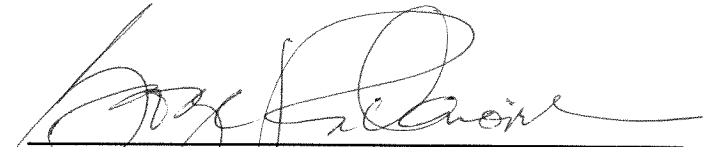
WHEREAS, Mariposa County will be required to recruit and retain qualified personnel to fill the one Public Health Nurse and two Sanitarian positions to replace existing state staff, which has proved impossible in previous attempts to fill these positions due to local wages and benefits when compared to state compensation; even with a new revenue source.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors requests the Governor and the Legislature not to include the contract local health services program within the "realignment" scenario, and that the current arrangement between contract counties and the State Department of Health Services be continued.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors that the eleven other contract counties join with us in asking that the contract provisions for local health services be retained by the state as an essential public health service for rural California;

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa Board of Supervisors  
this 12th day of March , 1991, by the following vote:

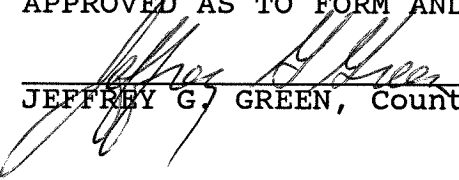
AYES : BAGGETT, PUNTE, ERICKSON, RADANOVICH, TABER  
NOES : NONE  
ABSENT : NONE  
ABSTAINED: NONE

  
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GEORGE RADANOVICH, Chairman  
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

  
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MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
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JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel