MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION NO. 88-81

REGARDING THE CSAC "100-HOUR RULE"

WHEREAS, the Administration's Welfare Reform Initiative, HR 3200/S.1655 (AFDC) Employment and Training Reorganization Act); the House of Representatives' HR 1720 (Family Welfare Reform Act); and, the primary Senate reform measure, S.1511 (Family Security Act); all recognize the urgent need to reform the welfare system to emphasize education, training, work requirements, and appropriate supportive services which will provide the incentives necessary for the welfare recipient to progress towards self-sufficiency; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration's as well as both the House and Senate proposals, all either encourage demonstration projects or mandate fundamental changes in the current service delivery system; and,

WHEREAS, the current "100-Hour Rule" in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children - Unemployed Program (AFDC-U) is disincentive to welfare recipients wishing to engage in gainful employment in that federal regulations allow individuals to refuse bonafide job offers where the wages do not equal or exceed the grant; and,

WHEREAS, the impact of the "100 Hour Rule" in the AFCD-U Program often results in a family receiving more cash income on public assistance than would be possible in part-time or lower paying employment, waiver of the "100 Hour Rule" will allow AFDC-U Program parents to take advantage of entry level job opportunities with the dollars earned from employment to be deducted from the AFDC-U grant received by the client until that time where income from wages replaces all income from welfare; and,

WHEREAS, waiver of the "100-Hour Rule" will lead to decreases in the amount of government aid paid to AFDC-U clients, without negatively impacting the clients household income; and, most importantly, will provide an incentive to AFDC-U parents to enter the job market.
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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors joins with the California Counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Tulare, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus, and San Joaquin in calling upon Congress and the administration to make provision for a consortium of California counties to demonstrate an alternative to the "100-Hour Rule" which would result in a decrease of total aid dollars expended in affected AFDC-U cases, provide a greater incentive to AFDC-U parents to seek, find, and maintain employment, and contribute greatly to the welfare reform desires of the Administration, House of Representatives, and Senate.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, a political subdivision of the State of California, this 1st day of March, 1988, by the following vote:

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

ERIC J. ERICKSON, Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY;

JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel