MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 80-69

RESOLUTION OPPOSING REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California, that:

WHEREAS, Placer County has adopted a Resolution opposing Regional Government; and

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County supports the position taken by Placer County; and

WHEREAS, the CONSTITUTION of the State of California vests in Counties and Cities the basic right to enact all reasonable enactments for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare, and

WHEREAS the CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA reserves to the people of the states and their local governments such right to enact such reasonable enactments under the police powers of the states and local agencies,

WHEREAS it is specifically provided in the CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION and is implicit in the CONSTITUTION of the United States that no regional agency is to be created except as is necessary for the solution of federal or statewide problems, and

WHEREAS there is an ever-increasing tendency by the Congress and the Legislature to classify as national or statewide problems those problems which are truly local in nature and which can be satisfactorily handled by the local cities and counties, and
WHEREAS the proliferation of such "regional agencies" has all too often deprived the people of the right to elect their representatives, substituting instead non-elected persons who are not responsible to the electorate for their actions, and

WHEREAS it is the belief of the counties and cities that no "regional agency" should be created which has the power to enact penal and other laws by actions of such non-elected governing body,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors hereby calls upon the Governor of the State of California and the Legislature to take action to repeal all legislation which purports to create "regional agencies" in violation of the rights of the people to elect their representatives which elected representatives are solely vested with authority to represent the citizens of their respective jurisdictions under the CONSTITUTION of the State of California.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors further calls upon the President and Congress to take similar action to repeal all legislation which purports to create "regional agencies" in violation of such rights of the people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this Resolution be sent to each of the other fifty seven (57) Counties of the State of California in the urgent hope that similar Resolutions will be enacted by them.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this Resolution
be sent to each of Mariposa County's representatives in the
Legislature, to the County Supervisors Association of California,
to the League of Cities, and to the Governor of the State of
California, and RCRC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this Resolution
be sent to each of Mariposa County's representatives in Congress.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this Resolution
be sent to each of the other forty nine (49) States of the
Union in the urgent hope that similar Resolution will be enacted
by them.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Mariposa this 8 day of April, 1980, by the
following vote:

AYES: Erickson, Dalton, Moffitt, Taber

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Clark

ERIC J. ERICKSON, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JOAN J. LYNCH, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

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