MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 79-193
RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO GOVERNOR BROWN'S
ODD/EVEN GAS ALLOCATION PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa is designated a rural county by State proclaimed standards; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the County of Mariposa must travel long distances in the daily conduct of ordinary business by private automobile; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa has a significant number of senior citizens and does not have a public transportation and/or transit system; and

WHEREAS, while the County of Mariposa fully recognizes the seriousness and immediate danger of the current situation the United States faces in Iran and wishes to do all in its power to aid American captives, we maintain the proposed plan resulting from a federal embargo on Iranian oil relates to an international situation which does not perceive and/or relate to the daily needs and requirements of the people of rural counties; and

WHEREAS, Iranian oil will continue to be traded on the world market, there is no proven need for the institution of the proposed odd/even program, and even if there were such proven reasons, they would be unrelated to the politically motivated and unresponsive actions of the Governor of the State of California in the proposed odd/even program; and
WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa actively supports and
encourages conservation of natural resources, we must recognize
the proposed odd/even allocation proposal is not a conservation
proposal but rather a distribution measure; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa speaks from a position
of knowledge and experience based on a former "gas crisis" and
resulting allocation problems which have nothing to do with the
proposed distribution program; and

WHEREAS, the records will actually reflect that there is
a need for increased allocations of fuel for rural areas such as
the County of Mariposa which is not recognized by the proposed
gubernatorial action which will actually cut down on rural fuel
to the advantage of urban areas without consideration given to
the needs of the rural areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, this Board hereby determines and orders
that the County of Mariposa demands that the Governor revise his
executive order to permit rural counties to use their discretion-
ary judgment and experience in determining "allotment and sales
needs" in their respective counties;

AND, THEREFORE, that the Governor act immediately to
revise his executive order so as to avoid unnecessary confusion,
panic, and severe hardship for rural counties such as Mariposa
County;

AND, THEREFORE, that copies of this resolution be
transmitted to the Honorable James R. Mills, President pro Tempore
of the Senate, Assemblyman Leo McCarthy, Speaker of the Assembly,
Assemblyman Eugene Chappie, Senator Ken Maddy, and Assemblyman
Jim Costa, and that their fullest support of assistance be hereby
formally requested;

AND THEREFORE, that additional copies of this resolution be transmitted to all rural counties in like position as Mariposa County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa this 20th day of November, 1979, by the following vote:

AYES: DALTON, CLARK, MOFFITT, ERICKSON, TABER

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

EUGENE P. DALTON, Jr., Chairman
Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

NEIL B. VAILE
County Counsel/Administrative Assistant to the Board
DATED: 11/20/79

ATTEST:

JOAN J. LYNN, Clerk of the Board