MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NUMBER 97-34
A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JAMES F. "JIM" EVANS FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF MARIPOSA

WHEREAS, Mariposa County will be losing the devotion to duty and expertise JAMES F. "JIM" EVANS brought to Mariposa County from May 21, 1990 to January 31, 1997 while serving as the first appointed director of the newly formed Housing and Community Development Agency; and

WHEREAS, JIM's accessibility and friendly approach have created an atmosphere of cooperation which is felt in every corner of Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS, while fulfilling his duties with Mariposa County, JIM made numerous contributions to the community working with citizens, organizations, County, State, and Federal agencies. A few of JIM's accomplishments and contributions are as follows: effectively administered the Community Services Programs, the Housing Authority Programs, and the Housing Rehabilitation Programs within this agency; accepted the responsibility of administering the Mariposa County Recreation Department, bringing harmony and optimism to the Summer Youth Day Camp Program, coordinated with all necessary County entities to resurface the El Portal Pool, assisted the tennis club with the resurfacing of the tennis courts, enhanced the work of the Coulterville Teen Club by donating his personal resources, time and encouragement to their facility project; provided the synergism which has made the Rotary Club Outdoor Theater Project a reality; left a legacy to Mariposa County as a result of his leadership role in successful grant writing for the Mariposa Pines Sewer Project and the Mariposa Rest Stop Area; supervised the use of the 1988 Park Bond Funds for development of the Mariposa Creek Project; instrumental in forming the Calaveras-Mariposa County Community Action Agency which has provided needed funding for Mariposa County Head Start, Emergency Services, Mountain Crisis, the American Indian Council, Mother Lode Job Training, and Senior Outreach; applied and received the grant which brought Head Start to Mariposa County; facilitated a harmonious working relationship between the preschools in the County; was the catalyst in assisting the Native American Community with Housing Rehabilitation grants for the George Washington Allotment, the Kowchitty Allotment and the Sara Priest Allotment and bringing electricity onto the Kitty Basau Allotment; obtained the donations and organized the volunteer crew which installed the fence to preserve the historical integrity of Bower Cave; has shown sensitivity to the need to retain Mariposa County's historical sites for future generations, by working with the Catheys Valley Garden Club to save the Catheys Valley School House and the Ghirardelli building in Hornitos for Museums; and

WHEREAS, JIM will be pursuing a career in the field of teaching. JIM's experience, communication skills, and personal attributes will be greatly missed here, but will certainly be valued by the youth and faculty he will be working with.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereby recognizes JAMES F. "JIM" EVANS for his service to the County of Mariposa, and is warmly wished a long and prosperous future.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 28th day of January, 1997, by unanimous vote.

PATTI A. REILLY, District I Supervisor
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