MARIPOSA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DEPARTMENT: Administrative Office
BY: Janet Hogan, CAO

AGENDA ACTION FORM
DATE: March 18, 1997
PHONE: 966-3222
AGENDA ITEM NO.: 12

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

(Policy Item: Yes X No___)

Consider request from the California State Association of Counties to adopt a resolution supporting the Civil Grand Jury Training, Communication and Efficiency Act of 1997 (AB 825): § 29

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Grand Jury reform legislation was not considered when the Board of Supervisors adopted its 1997 Legislative Program in December 1996. Judge McMechan has reviewed the bill and indicated that he sees a benefit to both large and small counties from its adoption.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

a) Adopt resolution supporting the Civil Grand Jury Training, Communication and Efficiency Act of 1997; or

b) Determine not to support this proposed legislation at this time.

COSTS:

( x ) Not Applicable

A. Budgeted Current FY

B. Total Anticipated Costs

C. Required Additional Funding

D. Internal Transfers

SOURCE

( ) 4/5ths Vote Required

A. Unanticipated Revenues

B. Reserve for Contingencies

C. Source Description:

Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:
CSAC memo dated 2/24/97

CLERKS USE ONLY:

Res. No. _______

Ord. No. _______

Vote - Ayes: _______
Noes: _______
Absent: _______
Abstained: _______

Approved ( ) Denied
( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file
in this office

Date: _______

ATTEST:

MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

BY: _______
Deputy

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

This item on agenda as:

_______ Recommended

_______ Not Recommended

_______ For Policy Determination

_______ Submitted with Comment

_______ Returned for Further Action

Comment:

CAO's Initials: _______

Action Form Revised 5/92
MARIPOSA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 97-88

WHEREAS, the civil grand jury in the County of Mariposa is an integral part of county government operations and oversight; and

WHEREAS, the civil grand jury is a constitutionally created body governed by the statutes of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, it is important that civil grand juries be provided with adequate facilities and training to be better equipped to perform the government oversight functions it is charged with performing; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa is a strong advocate of open communication between and among all county affiliated entities as a way to ensure collaboration with the aim of producing a quality work product; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa supports all efforts to improve the efficient use of tax dollars by all county affiliated agencies; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa respects the important role of the civil grand jury and supports efforts to assist in improving its ability to carry out its duties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the County of Mariposa supports the Civil Grand Jury Training, Communication and Efficiency Act of 1997.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa this 18th day of March, 1997 by the following vote:

AYES: REILLY, STEWART, PARKER, PICKARD
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAINED: BALMAIN

Robert C. Stewart, 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
March 21, 1997

Mr. Nick Warner
Legislative Analyst
California State Association of Counties
1100 K Street, Suite 101
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Warner:

Per the request from Steve Perez and Dick Dickerson, enclosed please find Mariposa County Resolution 97-88 in support of the Civil Grand Jury Training, Communication and Efficiency Act of 1997.

Sincerely,

Janet Hogan
County Administrative Officer

cc: Senator Dick Monteith
    Assemblyman George House
    Dale Wagerman
    Les Cohen