WHEREAS the COUNTY OF MARIPOSA desires to undertake a building project for a new library and has applied for LSCA matching funds in March 21, 1995 and was notified that $296,473 would be available in LSCA funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Mariposa revises the original grant application, changing the building location from 8th and Jones to 10th and Jones and the building size to 7200 square feet for a total project cost of $1,458,000 as shown on revised pages 5 and 6 of the grant application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the applicant agrees to provide all matching funds required for said project and confirms the availability of local funding in the amount of $1,161,527 for the project.

Passed and adopted by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors in a meeting thereof held on November 18, 1997 by the following:

Vote:
Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Reilly, Parker
Noes: None
Absent: Pickard

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency

Jeffrey G. Green, County Counsel

Robert C. Stewart, Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Margie Williams, Clerk of the Board
Resolution authorizing Chairman to sign a revised LS&A (Library Services and Construction Act) project application and statement confirming the availability of local funding.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

see attached

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

see attached

COSTS:

| A. Budgeted current FY         | $              |
| B. Total anticipated costs    | $              |
| C. Required additional funding| $              |
| D. Internal transfers          | $              |

SOURCE:

| A. Unanticipated revenues     | $              |
| B. Reserve for contingencies  | $              |
| C. Source description:        |                |
| Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: $ |
Resolution authorizing Chairman to sign a revised LSCA (Library Services and Construction Act) project application and statement confirming the availability of local funding.

Background:
Mariposa County was awarded LSCA grant funding in the amount of $296,473 for a proposed project of 10,000 square feet on property owned by the schools. A new project is now being proposed and the California State Library has sent a letter giving Mariposa County until November 26 to submit a revised project application. (See attached letter from Dr. Starr.)

The fund balance in the Library Building Fund on November 5, 1997 was $610,305. The Friends of the Library are making a deposit in November in the amount of $10,000. A conservative estimate of assumed interest earnings over the next two years is $42,000. With a grant of $296,473 this brings the total funds available to $958,778. With a projected cost of $1,202,000 this leaves a shortfall of $243,222. Part of that shortfall will be made up through fundraising efforts of the Friends of the Library. The possibility of additional state funding is also being investigated. The State requires a resolution confirming the availability of local funding.

List alternatives and consequences of negative action:

1) An alternative would be to change the project to fit the funding available. The Board could direct the Librarian to prepare a grant application in the amount of $958,778 to $1,000,000 (the amount of funding projected to be available) requiring the building be downsized to fit the funding available. This would be a building of 5,363 square feet instead of the 7,200 square feet proposed in the feasibility study or the 10,000 square feet proposed in the original grant application. However, the grant funding could be in jeopardy as indicated in Dr. Starr's letter if the project is not "equal to or better than the originally proposed project."

2) Without a commitment confirming the availability of local funding, the $296,473 would not be available and will be awarded to another library.