

**MARIPOSA COUNTY
SUPERVISORS**

**AGENDA
ACTION FORM**

DATE: 10/22/96 ⁹⁶⁻⁴³⁸
AGENDA ITEM NO.: 6A

DEPARTMENT:
Public Health

BY: C. B. Mosher, MD, Health Officer
PHONE: 966-3689

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No_x_)

Recommend resolution proclaiming the week of October 20 - 26, 1996 as Pull the Plug on Violence Week.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

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: \$ _____

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 96-438 Ord. No. _____
Vote - Ayes: _____ Noes: _____
Absent: Pickard Abstained: _____
mw 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

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:
 Recommended
 Not Recommended
 For Policy Determination
 Submitted with Comment
 Returned for Further Action

Comment: _____
A.O. Initials: mw

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. -96-438
PROCLAMATION
PULL THE PLUG ON VIOLENCE WEEK
OCTOBER 20 - 26, 1996

WHEREAS studies show that American children and adolescents spend 22 to 28 hours per week viewing television -- more than in any other activity except sleeping; and

WHEREAS the American Psychological Association estimates that the average American child or teenager views 10,000 murders, rapes and aggravated assaults per year on television; and

WHEREAS nearly four out of five Americans believe violence in television entertainment programs directly contributes to the amount of violence in society; and

WHEREAS research has shown several major effects on children of seeing violence on television including: (1) becoming less sensitive to the pain and suffering of others; (2) being more fearful of the world around them; (3) being more likely to behave in aggressive or harmful ways towards others; and

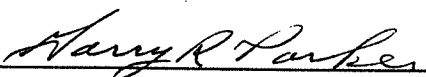
WHEREAS violence has been identified as a major Public Health issue in our society; and

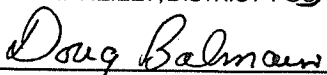
WHEREAS the Month of October, 1996 has been designated "Child Health Month" by the American Academy of Pediatrics;


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the week of October 20th to 26th, 1996 as "Pull the Plug on Violence Week" and urges all those who reside in Mariposa County to take responsibility for reducing the amount of violence to which our children are exposed in media and in real life.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 22nd day of October, 1996, by unanimous vote.


PATTI A. REILLY, DISTRICT I SUPERVISOR


GARRY R. PARKER, DISTRICT IV SUPERVISOR


DOUG BALMAIN, DISTRICT II SUPERVISOR


BOB PICKARD, DISTRICT V SUPERVISOR


ROBERT C. STEWART, DISTRICT III SUPERVISOR

