

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MARIPOSA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN OPPOSITION TO OPTIONS DELINEATED BY THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, there are significant fiscal, social, economic, and cultural problems facing the State of California, and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors is interested in and supportive of efforts to pursue reasonable, workable alternative modifying current structures and process to alleviate those problems, and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors views many of the options being explored by the California Constitution Revision Commission to be contrary to the sound and practical solutions sought by local agencies, and

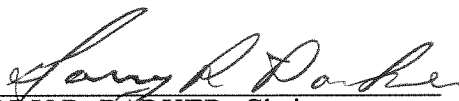
WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors opposes the concept of reducing the number of local or state elected officials as contrary to an effective balance of power, placing the ultimate responsibility for statutory duties currently given to elected officials to those without expertise in those fields and subjecting those responsibilities to increased political pressure, and

WHEREAS, the proposal regarding creation of new counties and consolidation of local governmental entities may be interpreted as eliminating the independent voice of small, rural communities, and

WHEREAS, provisions regarding balancing of the state budget need to provide a guarantee that local governments will not bear the burden of state debt by means of property tax shifts and unfunded mandates, and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors encourages the California Constitutional Revision Committee to forswear political agendas and focus on efficient and practical solutions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California, that the California Constitutional Revision Committee pursue their task with a clear commitment to the integrity of local communities and with a practical and fiscally responsible approach to the problems of California.


GARRY R. PARKER, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:


MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel

DEPARTMENT: Board

BY: Chairman Parker

PHONE: 966-3222

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

Pass and adopt the attached Resolution Opposing Options Delineated by the California Constitution Revision Commission.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Alpine County Board of Supervisors requested that the Board adopt the attached resolution. As stated by Alpine County in the attached letter, "There are many important economic and social issues facing the State of California today, but we feel the Commission's proposed options do not favorably serve the needs of rural counties. Perhaps the most threatening aspect is consideration of changing current requirements for the creation of a new county by the majority vote of those in the new county, regardless of how the second, smaller county votes. As a result, small, rural counties could virtually be absorbed by larger, neighboring counties".

This action opposes the options of the California Constitution Commission in concert with Alpine County.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Board may be silent on the issue which may have negative consequences for rural counties to the Commission's options.

COSTS: 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:
_Alpine County request _____

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 95-336 Ord. No. _____

Vote - Ayes: 3 Noes: Reilly

Absent: Talbot 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: _____

A.O. Initials: to

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: GARRY R. PARKER, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board 
SUBJECT: Resolution Opposing Options Delineated by the
California Constitution Revision Commission;
Res. 95-336

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on July 11, 1995

ACTION AND VOTE:

2:15 p.m. Resolution Opposing Options Delineated by the California Constitution Revision Commission (Chairman Parker)
BOARD ACTION: Chairman Parker presented item to the Board. (M) Balmain, (S) Stewart, with discussion. Board concurred in sending Resolution to the California Constitution Revision Commission, Regional Council of Rural Counties, California State Association of Counties, and Alpine County. Following a brief discussion regarding the elimination of positions, County Administrative Officer explained that this Commission is recommending a need for only electing District Attorneys and Sheriffs at local levels. Supervisor Balmain indicated that County needs local control. Further discussion of allowed consolidations through legislation. Discussions concluded, Res. 95-336 adopted opposing options delineated by the California Constitution Revision Commission/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart and Parker; Opposed: Reilly; Excused: Taber.

cc: Cameron Craik, Chairman of the Board (Alpine County)
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