RESOLUTION # 2004-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RANCHO MURIETA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 1A

WHEREAS, state government annually seizes more than \$5.2 billion in local property tax funds statewide from cities, counties and special districts, costing local governments more than \$40 billion in lost revenues over the past 12 years; and

WHEREAS, these continual shifts and raids by the state of local property tax funds and other funding dedicated to local governments has seriously reduced resources available for local fire and paramedic response, law enforcement, public health and emergency medical care, roads, parks, libraries, transportation and other essential local services; and

- **WHEREAS**, these funding raids also add pressure for local governments to increase fees and taxes to maintain basic local service levels; and
- **WHEREAS**, this drain of local resources has continued even during periods when the state's budget has been overflowing with surpluses; and
- **WHEREAS**, Proposition 1A is a historic measure that will appear on the November 2004 statewide ballot that would limit the State's ability to take and use local government funding; and
- **WHEREAS**, by protecting local government funding, Prop 1A would protect local public safety, healthcare and other essential local services; and
- WHEREAS, Prop 1A will not raise taxes and, in fact, will help reduce pressure for local fee and tax increases by limiting state raids of local government funding; and
- WHEREAS, Prop 1A does not reduce funding for schools or any other state program or service, and Prop 1A was carefully written to allow flexibility in the event of a state budget emergency; and
- **WHEREAS,** Prop 1A is supported by a bipartisan, diverse coalition including Governor Schwarzenegger, Democrat and Republican leaders, local government officials, public safety representatives, healthcare, business, labor and community leaders;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY The Board of Directors of the Rancho Murieta Community Services District, that we hereby express strong support for Proposition 1A, the statewide ballot initiative that will prevent the state from further taking local government revenues; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Rancho Murieta Community Services District officials and staff are authorized to provide impartial informational materials on the initiative as may be lawfully provided by this local government's representatives. No public funds shall be used to campaign for or against the initiative; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that we will send a copy of this resolution to Yes on 1A - Californians to Protect Local Taxpayers and Public Safety. Fax: 916-442-3510 or 1121 L Street, #803, Sacramento, CA 95814

The foregoing Resolution is passed and adopted this 20th day of October, 2004, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Kuntz, Brennan, Merchant, Taylor, White

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Wayne Kuntz, President of the Board

Rancho Murieta Community Services District

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Attest:

Edward R. Crouse District Secretary