In the Matter of Resolution No.: 2010-012

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

A RESOLUTION CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL AND SUPPORTING ROUTES USING EXISTING TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS

WHEREAS, the Madera County Board of Supervisors have long been strong advocates for high speed rail in California and in the San Joaquin Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Madera County Board of Supervisors recognize the importance of having the high speed rail traveling through the communities of the Central Valley; and

WHEREAS, the voters approved Proposition 1A on November 4, 2008, which provides $9.1 billion in bond funds to finance a high speed rail system that will connect the San Francisco Bay Area and Sacramento in the north, through the Central Valley to Los Angeles, Orange County and San Diego in the south, with trains that will operate at speeds up to 220 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the high speed trains will have many benefits to the San Joaquin Valley and the State of California such as improved air quality, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, reduced congestion on roads and highways, preservation of open spaces, revitalized community economic development and increased job creation; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the California High Speed Rail system would benefit the County of Madera, the San Joaquin Valley and State of California, and that the Board of Supervisors:

- Supports the continuing development of high speed rail on a statewide basis.
- Supports a unified approach for the Central Valley.
- Supports routes that use existing transportation corridors and rights-of-way.
- Oppose any and all alignments where transportation corridors do not exist at the present time.
The foregoing Resolution was adopted this 5th day of January, 2010, by the following vote:

Supervisor Bigelow voted:  yes
Supervisor Moss voted:  yes
Supervisor Dominici voted:  yes
Supervisor Rodriguez voted:  yes
Supervisor Wheeler voted:  yes

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Clerk, Board of Supervisors

Approved as to Legal Form:
COUNTY COUNSEL

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