RESOLUTION 2004-47

A Resolution 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 that \$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, health care 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, health care, business, labor and community leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the PLUMAS EUREKA 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 Plumas Eureka Community Services District Board of Directors 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.

ADOPTED this the 13th day of October, 2004, by the following vote of the governing body.

AYES Walker, Brazelton, Tretten

NOES None

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ABSTAIN None

ABSENT Gray and Wiemeyer

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the PECSD Resolution Supporting Proposition 1A, # 2004-47, adopted by the Board of Directors at the Board Meeting held on October 13, 2004.

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Teresa L. Cunningham Clerk to the PECSD Board of Directors