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WHEREAS, San Diego County is the second most populous county in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, within the San Diego County region there are 18 cities, 46 school districts and 122 independent special districts who provide services to over 2.5 million people; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California has, since 1978, continually enacted laws that require the expenditure of funds by local governments, but has not provided adequate revenues to fully off-set the cost of these additional mandates; and

WHEREAS, the State of California in 1992 ripped-off \$1.3 billion, depriving local government of the money needed to provide services to protect the public safety, health and welfare of the citizens of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the confiscatory shift of property taxes from counties, cities and special districts in 1992 was no more than a ploy for the State of California to shirk its constitutional responsibilities for the adequate financing of public education, placing the burden on the backs of counties, cities and special districts; and

WHEREAS, the State's proposed budget for the 1993-94 fiscal year proposes to confiscate an additional \$2.6 billion in funds which now go to local government; and

WHEREAS, this \$2.6 billion property tax shift represents \$34 million of local property taxes to the County of San Diego, \$38 million to the 18 cities in San Diego County and \$18 million to the special districts in San Diego County, which have historically been used to provide law enforcement and other essential local services; and

WHEREAS, such an unfair taking of property taxes would result in a substantial loss of control over the types and levels of services which can be provided to San Diego County taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, it is important to keep local revenues at the local level to fund these local services; and

WHEREAS, local governments cannot have revenue stolen from them without devastating and unacceptable reductions in police and sheriff's protection, jails, courts, fire protection, paramedic services, libraries, health care and essential services to the families and children in our communities; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that cities, schools, special districts and the County of San Diego oppose the shift of \$2.6 billion in property taxes proposed for fiscal year 1993-94, the shifting of any local tax resources to other agencies, and the shifting of program responsibilities from the State to local government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that cities, schools, special districts and the County call upon the Governor and the legislature of the State of California to immediately establish fundamental reform to include the following principles:

. Mandate Relief

Grant local authority to eliminate State mandates identified by the local jurisdictions as "low or no" priority and grant local authority to determine the "level of service" for mandates without adequate funding. Such authority could be granted if a finding is made by a local agency that a fiscal emergency exists and to protect the public safety, health and welfare of its people, this authority is necessary.

. Realignment of Functions & Revenues

Realign functions between state, county and city governments to assure that services are provided at the most logical and economical level of government and realign revenue sources so that the levels of government providing the services receive an adequate level of funding.

. Stabilization of Revenue Sources

Stabilize revenue sources for cities, counties, schools and special districts by identifying and ultimately locking into the State Constitution a guaranteed stable and predictable source of revenue.

. Equitable Distribution of Revenues

Distribute revenues in a fair and equitable manner within each local government jurisdiction.

. Home Rule - Flexibility in Service Delivery

Establish the ability of locally elected Boards of Supervisors, City Councils, Special District Boards of Directors and School Boards to institute home rule

charters that establish flexibility for the agency to carry out its service delivery based on outcome-based measures.

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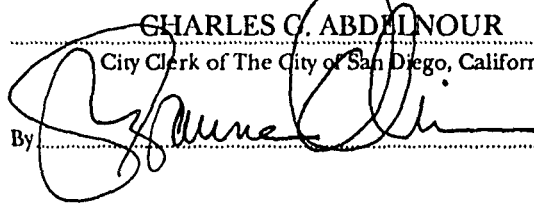
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