

RESOLUTION NO. 1983

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD
 ENDORSING INITIATIVE ENTITLED, "GLOBAL WARMING
 AND CLEAR CUTTING REDUCTION AND
 REFORESTATION ACT OF
 1990

WHEREAS, several timber initiatives are circulating which endorse more public acquisition of private land for public parks and an immediate ban on cutting old growth forests; and,

WHEREAS, the "Californians For New Forestry" authored a measure entitled, "Global Warming and Clear Cutting Reduction, Wildlife Protection and Reforestation Act of 1990". This comprehensive initiative does not call for new parkland acquisition, but calls for the incorporation of adjacent lands into existing parks. Bans clear cutting of virgin old growth forests and reduces clear cutting by fifty percent in all other forests over the next five years. Promotes urban reforestation and forbids the export of raw unprocessed logs to foreign mills; and,

WHEREAS, in California massive public acquisitions of timberland have already taken place. Almost three million acres of national forest land in the state is set aside in wilderness designation. Approximately 250,000 acres of redwood are set aside in state and national parks making it the specie with the largest amount of public set asides per standing volume which has cost the taxpayers over one billion dollars. Only small areas have been developed into useable parkland, lacking trails, restroom and camping facilities, and,

WHEREAS, California has the most stringent guidelines for harvesting timber. Our state requires harvested areas to be restocked at the rate of approximately six trees planted for every tree harvested in order that future generations may enjoy timber recreation and commodities. This initiative would promote more urban forestry as well; and,

WHEREAS, the export of California's raw logs to foreign mills will cause loss of wood fiber employment throughout California; and,

WHEREAS, other initiatives circulating including; "The Timberland Acquisition Bond Act" is a socialist approach to American government; and "The Ancient Forest and Wildlife Protection and Bond Act" has the potential to eliminate 85% of the state's wood fiber industry; and "The Environmental Protection Act: violates the basic private property rights of the state's citizens and land owners.

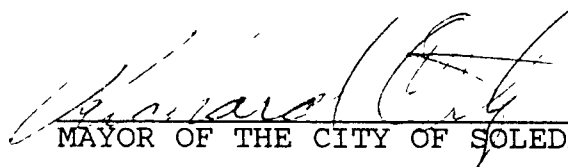
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City Council of the City of Soledad endorses the "Californians For New Forestry's" comprehensive initiative as addressing the most critical timber issues including; continuous yield of our forest lands, wildlife management, global warming, providing affordable housing, and will keep the state a leading producer of forest products and sensibly balance its environmental concerns with that of proper forest management by licensed professional foresters.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12th day of June, 1990 by the following vote.

AYES, and in favor thereof, Councilmembers: Manuel Campos, John Holguin, Fred Ledesma, Mayor Pro Tem Joe Ledesma, Mayor Richard Ortiz

NOES, Councilmembers: None

ABSENT, Councilmembers: None



 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD

ATTEST:



 CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD