BRIDGEPORT VALLEY Regional Planning Advisory Committee

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RESOLUTION REQUESTING SUPPORT OF BRIDGEPORT'S ECONOMIC BASE AND ITS CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) is, and of a right ought to be, concerned with the economy of Bridgeport and rural northern Mono County and is thereby concerned with sustaining and improving the economy of Bridgeport and northern Mono County, and;

WHEREAS, the current economic conditions throughout the state are not as strong as previously enjoyed, and;

WHEREAS, negative economic conditions have severe negative impacts in small rural communities, and;

WHEREAS, tourism is the major economic engine for Mono County, and;

WHEREAS, Bridgeport is a focus for many tourists interested in visiting the Mono County Seat and viewing the Mono County Courthouse, and;

WHEREAS, the Mono County Courthouse is the oldest courthouse in active use in California, and;

WHEREAS, the Bryant family, residents of Bridgeport, donated the property for use as the site of the Mono County Courthouse in 1880 and;

WHEREAS, the Mono County Board of Supervisors have used this courthouse as its regular meeting location since the building's existence, and;

WHEREAS, the continued meeting of the Board of Supervisors in this courthouse reflects wise use of county facilities, good fiscal management and the maintenance of the trust under which the donated land was accepted, and;

WHEREAS, each meeting held in Bridgeport by the Mono County Board of Supervisors provides a real, and tangible economic impact to the small town of Bridgeport, and;

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport RPAC recognizes the historical significance of Bridgeport as the county seat of Mono County and desires to preserve and honor that history, and;

WHEREAS, the other citizens throughout Mono County can participate in the public meetings held in the courthouse in Bridgeport by the modern videoconferencing technology at satellite locations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee requests and implores the Mono County Board of Supervisors to honor the gift of the Bryant family, the history of the County of Mono and the county seat of Bridgeport by scheduling all regular meetings at the historic Mono County Courthouse in Bridgeport.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS SIXTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, 2011, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 6 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: ABSENT: 3

Janelle Mills, Chairman, Bridgeport Valley RPAC