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BEFORE
THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
COUNTY OF MADERA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of)
SUPPORT OF LOCATING THE)
CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL)
HEAVY MAINTENANCE)
FACILITY IN MADERA COUNTY)

Resolution No. 15-10

WHEREAS, the County of Madera is in the center of the State and represents the backbone of the California High Speed Rail project, bearing the placement of the wye and the most track miles of any county in the initial operating segment; and

WHEREAS, the state policy goal of the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) is to provide benefit to those communities who are accommodating the system and Madera County is the only County who has yet to be designated any facility in the system; and

WHEREAS, locating the Heavy Maintenance Facility (HMF) in Madera County would serve as a much needed stimulus to the struggling local economy and create an estimated 20,000 jobs for the next five years, create approximately 1,500 permanent jobs when the facility is completed, generate additional property taxes for the County, and would provide the most measurable economic benefit to offset the loss of important agricultural land and employment opportunities; and


WHEREAS, a HMF placed in Madera County would serve the labor markets of the largest labor forces in the San Joaquin Valley including Fresno, Madera, Merced and Stanislaus Counties, making Madera County the only regional site under consideration and providing the CHSRA with the largest number of local employees to staff the HMF.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MCTC supports the location of the HMF for the California High Speed Rail system within the County of Madera and respectfully requests the CHSRA instruct that a site in Madera County, whether existing or an alternative, that meets the criteria as described in the technical memoranda developed by the CHSRA, the delivery schedule and is cost competitive be given priority and placed in Madera County.

The foregoing resolution was adopted this 21st day of October, 2015 by the following vote:

Commissioner Rodriguez voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Commissioner Rogers voted:	<u>No</u>
Commissioner Wheeler voted:	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Poythress voted:	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Medellin voted:	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Ahmed voted:	<u>Yes</u>
Alt Commissioner Farinelli voted:	<u>Yes</u>

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Chairman, Madera County Transportation Commission


Executive Director, Madera County Transportation Commission