

RESOLUTION NO. 04-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL URGING AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE MARCH 2, 2004, ON PROPOSITION 58; THE CALIFORNIA BALANCED BUDGET ACT

WHEREAS, Proposition 58 (The California Balanced Budget Act) amends the California Constitution to require the enactment of a balanced budget, address fiscal emergencies by establishing a budget reserve, and place limitations on future borrowing to finance state budget deficits; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 58 would require the Governor and State Legislature to enact a balanced budget, and require the State Legislature to postpone other action until a budget is adopted; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 58 requires that state spending not exceed income each fiscal year, and establish a reserve of up to \$8 billion; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 58 prohibits future borrowing to pay off state deficits; and

WHEREAS, the balanced budget and debt limitation provisions in Proposition 58 are likely to result in more immediate actions to correct budgetary shortfalls; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of Proposition 58 would become operative only if the voters approve Proposition 57 (The Economic Recovery Bond Act) as well as Proposition 58; and

WHEREAS, if this measure fails, the result will be massive reductions in education, health care, local government and public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest, California, as follows:

All qualified voters are urged to vote on March 2, 2004, and vote in the affirmative for Proposition 58 (The California Balanced Budget Act).

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of February, 2004 by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Carter, Council Members Holloway, Martin, Morgan, and Clark

NOES: None

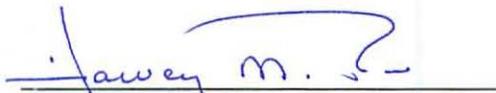
ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Ronald H. Carter, Mayor

ATTEST:



Harvey M. Rose
City Clerk