

RESOLUTION NO. 04-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL URGING SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL TAXPAYERS AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROTECTION ACT

WHEREAS, during the past four years, California cities contributed over \$2 billion more in revenue than they received in all forms of state assistance, making cities net donors to the State; and

WHEREAS, the State has repeatedly raided local government treasuries of billions of dollars to make up for the State's frequently ill-conceived legislation, myopic management, and perverted professionalism; and

WHEREAS, the People of the State of California find that restoring local control over local tax dollars is vital to insure that local tax dollars are used to provide critical local services; and

WHEREAS, existing provisions of the California Constitution give the people the right to vote on fiscal changes in state and local governments, and the People of the State of California also demand the right to vote on actions by the State government that take local tax dollars from local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Protection Act insures that the People of the State of California shall have the right to approve or reject the actions of state government to take away local revenues that fund vitally needed local services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Protection Act strengthens the requirement that State-mandated programs, programs, and projects be paid for by the State and be paid in a timely fashion.

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

1. The people of Ridgecrest are urged to join those who are signing petitions to place the Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Protection Act on the November, 2004, statewide election ballot.
2. The people of Ridgecrest are urged to register to vote and to vote in the affirmative for the Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Protection Act in November, 2004.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of March 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