RESOLUTION NO. 3046

RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES INITIATE A STATEWIDE BALLOT INITIATIVE REGARDING JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY

WHEREAS, the joint and several liability rule has had a profoundly negative effect on local government; and

WHEREAS, the dramatic financial strain on cities is being borne by all taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, special interest groups have a vested interest in defeating any legislation proposed to relieve the "deep pockets" syndrome; and

WHEREAS, insurance premiums have escalated to a point where local government often cannot afford to purchase the necessary coverage; and

WHEREAS, SB 500 and SB 575, previously introduced as a means of equitable relief for the "deep pockets" problems, have both been defeated in Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the General Assembly of the League of California Cities assembled in Annual Conference in San Francisco, October 8, 1985, be urged to initiate a statewide ballot initiative based on SB 500 (Beverly) and SB 575 (Foran/Beverly); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, California, does hereby urge all local government officials throughout California to support this legislation aimed at relieving the financial strain imposed not only on local government, but also on taxpayers as well.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 1985 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilpersons Cousins, Ovitt, Russell, Thorndyke and Stemper
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Betty Cousins

MAYOR PRO TEM BETTY COUSINS

ATTEST:

John R. McCarthy

CITY CLERK, JOHN R. McCARTHY