

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
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COMPLAINT FROM CITIZEN REGARDING NAFTA, IMMIGRATION, AIR  
AND WATER CONTAMINATION, ETC.

Harry Thomas, 17 North Central Avenue, Lodi, read a letter (on file in the City Clerk's office) regarding the future of California in relation to immigration, welfare, NAFTA, air contamination, water shortage, etc. Anyone wishing to assist Mr. Thomas in this matter was invited to contact him at 368-4307.

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To The Lodi City Council;

My name is Harry Thomas, and I reside at 17 N. Central Ave. Lodi, Ca. I ask your indulgence to address the Council and the citizens of Lodi.

I am the father of two grown daughters, and have no grand children. My only concern in the following matters are as a private citizen who loves his country and state. The following are some very disturbing facts.

Over 30% of all immigration, both legal and illegal, settle in California! I wish to state at this time that I as a human being, can understand the will and effort of any person trying to better themselves, but common sense at some time must over ride compassion. California has reached this point in time! The figures that I quote in this article are well documented, and I am not some kind of idiot seeking public attention. I believe that what I am presenting here tonight is of grave concern to every citizen of the United States, and particularly the citizens of Lodi and California!

The population in 1990 in California was 30.9 million, and at the present and projected growth rate of one million will reach 50 million by the year 2010. In 1990 there were 5.7 million children between the ages of 3 and 18 years old attending both public and private schools. By the year 2000, school enrollment will increase 2.1 million. This means that the state will have to build a school every day of the year with the capacity of 650 students, to meet school enrollment demands. The above figures include both immigration and birth rate. I think most reasonable people will agree that this condition must not be allowed to happen!

This Administration agrees that under NAFTA, illegal immigration will increase for the next 20 years! This state cannot bear that! The increase in immigration will not only effect schools, but will increase welfare and the crime rate! Simple logic decrees this to be a given fact!

It doesn't take a genius to realize that some drastic steps must be taken immediately! And I sure as hell mean drastic! I certainly don't have all the answers, but here are a few suggestions. Stop all immigration at once! Stop granting citizenship to children born to illegal immigrants and deport both mother and child to the country of origin. This may seem cruel, but it is a matter of self preservation! Find and deport all illegals, including those in prison! Reform welfare by stopping checks and food stamps. Furnish housing and open food distribution centers to furnish the necessities for a healthy diet, as the government did in the 1930's. I speak from experience!

I have observed the actions of the Congress in the state and in Washington, very closely, and have reached the conclusion that they are either gutless or stupid, or both. For a prime example, I give you the illegal immigration problem. Any person with a grain of common sense should have foreseen to some degree the problems facing this state today! I can only conclude that they were more interested in themselves than the citizens welfare. It is almost inconceivable that a child of a citizen of this state would be deprived of an education, but under the present and future circumstances it is not only possible, but most probable.

The Constitution clearly states that each state has the power to defend its borders, and the Governor has the power and authority to use the National Guard for this purpose! I am almost certain our Governor will not take these steps, unless the citizens force him to. One thing is certain, if we wait for the politicians to take positive action, it will be too late!

The only solution is to force them to take immediate action now! If letters and phone calls doesn't work, I know what will! A citizens march on Sacramento will sure as hell get their attention!

In closing, I cannot think of a more important issue that concerns the people in this room, in this state, and this country, at this time! Thank you and God bless this country and all of its citizens!

Respectfully;

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In the above presentation I only touched on a few of the States problems. The following are of serious concern to the citizens of California also.

California is beset with serious environmental problems. Over population of any kind only makes these problems worse. Air contamination continues to erode. A bad water shortage is getting worse. Waste disposal capacities have been pressed beyond their limits. The state's transportation system is clogged. The question has to be asked, how many people can California support with degrading the natural, social, cultural, and economic environment for present and future generations?

Water will have to be shipped in from some place else! Where can we get it?

Air Quality! In 1988, there were ~~there were~~ 19.4 million cars and trucks in California. At the current rate of population growth, about 35 million cars will be on the state's highways by 2020. Air quality can only worsen!

Waste disposal! The land fills in Southern California has reached it's limits. Sewage treatment plants are unable to keep up with demands. Because of this, 800 million gallons of only minimally treated sewage is dumped into the ocean every day! At the present time Californian's produce 19 million tons of solid waste per year! By the year 2020, this will reach 32 tons. Where will it be disposed?

Infrastructure. Over the last 20 years, traffic has grown six times faster than highway capacity! The average speed on Los Angeles freeways is 37 miles per hour at this time. By the year 2000, it is projected to drop to 17 miles per hour.

Birthrate. Fertility rates are as follows. Anglo 1.74, Blacks, 2.55, Asians 2.42, and hispanics 3.91 per family. These rates coupled with immigration of both kinds spell total disaster for our great state! Immigration must be stopped! Serious family planning must be instituted!

All of the facts quoted here are well researched and documented in the book, "Fifty Million Californians." These are grave concerns to all citizens of this state, regardless of race or gender! We are all in the same boat, be you rich or poor, butcher, baker, or candle stick maker! It is time to stand up and be counted! The politicians have dumped on us for far too long! Every citizen must demand that steps be taken to stop the erosion of our way of life. I intend to do everything in my power, but alone, I am powerless. Please help me save our wonderful state! I invite anyone wishing more information and wanting to help, please contact me at 17 N Central, Lodi Calif. 95240. 368-4307

Thank You for your indulgence

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