

RESOLUTION NO. 83-33

RESOLUTION OPPOSING S.66 (GOLDWATER),
WHICH BILL SEEKS TO USURP LOCAL AUTHORITY
OVER CABLE TELEVISION

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities (NLC) and the National Cable Television Association (NCTA) has negotiated a compromise on S.66 (Goldwater).

WHEREAS, the compromise is inconsistent with California Policy in the following areas:

- (a) The buyout provisions conflict with our position that these are properly the subject of franchise negotiations;
- (b) The non-grandfathering will invalidate existing contracts freely negotiated;
- (c) The renewal standards virtually guarantee renewal of any franchise;
- (d) The rate deregulation provisions contain no consumer protection provisions; and
- (e) The preclusion of local regulation of service may be so broad as to preclude regulation of even access to adult programming.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby oppose S.66 (Goldwater) and the compromise as approved by the Board of the National League of Cities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby urge the League of California Cities to work with its member cities to develop specific legislative provisions to protect the ability of local jurisdictions to negotiate and enforce local cable franchises.

Dated: May 4, 1983

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 83-33 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held May 4, 1983 by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Snider, Murphy, Pinkerton,
and Olson (Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - None

Absent: Council Members - Reid

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City Clerk