

In the City Council,  
City of Lodi,  
Lodi, California

RESOLUTION NO. 1694

ENDORISING THE PROPOSAL OF A  
MAJOR TRANS-SIERRA HIGHWAY

WHEREAS, the severe winter of 1952 has revealed what many have long suspected, that the Sierra Nevada Mountain passes of the main trunk highways of the Central Trans-Continental routes across the nation are not adequate and may be blocked easily, and as definitely as if by military action or sabotage.

WHEREAS, the military commitments of this nation in the past two decades have expanded greatly in the Pacific Ocean and the lands adjacent thereto, and the San Francisco Bay area is the principal Pacific Coast port for shipment of military personnel and material, much of which is transported over these routes,

WHEREAS, this principal port would be a primary target for enemy attack or sabotage, and therefore would require emergency supply and reinforcement over the central Trans-Sierra route,

WHEREAS, these central route highways are still functioning with the same limited capacity of twenty years ago,

WHEREAS, more than twenty major department of defense supply depots, tactical establishments, and experimental installations are located in the intermountain areas served by the Trans-Sierra trans-continental route,

WHEREAS the above considerations are matters of great concern to our national defense,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI:

1. That this Council by unanimous action calls upon its Congressional and Senatorial representatives to take every action available to them, collectively and individually, to the end that immediate modernization of a major Trans-Sierra highway by widening to four lanes to the San Francisco Bay area be declared essential to the national defense;

2. That upon declaration of the above cited route as essential to the national defense, the United States Department of Defense be called upon to bring about the immediate modernization of this route by widening to four lanes through utilization of defense funds in order that the security of the vital San Francisco Bay area can be assured through immediate availability of supply and reinforcement in the event of enemy action or sabotage.

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I, HENRY A. GLAVES, JR., City Clerk of the City of Lodi and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of said City, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 1694 of the City Council of the City of Lodi as regularly introduced, passed and adopted in regular meeting held August 20, 1952 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen, Preszler, Richey, Rinn, Robinson, and Haskell

NOES: Councilmen, None.

ABSENT: Councilmen, None.

  
City Clerk

Dated: August 22, 1952