

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-174

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL IN
SUPPORT OF THE STOP THEFT OF POWER ACT, A
LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL DEVELOPED BY THE CITY
OF LODI ELECTRIC UTILITY DEPARTMENT AND THE
CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSOCIATION

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WHEREAS, the theft of electricity is unsafe, illegal, and constitutes a multi-billion dollar crime in America today; and

WHEREAS, energy theft in Lodi, California, is also a significant challenge, with losses exceeding \$44,000 since July 2011; and

WHEREAS, under current California statute, the theft of electricity is a misdemeanor; and

WHEREAS, City of Lodi staff is proposing to enhance the civil penalties associated with this crime to three times the estimated value of the diverted utility services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby adopt a Resolution supporting the "Stop Theft of Power (STOP) Act," a legislative proposal that would enhance penalties associated with the theft of electricity in the Lodi community and statewide if eventually adopted by the California State Legislature and the Governor of the State of California.

Dated: November 7, 2012

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2012-174 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 7, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Johnson, Katzakian, and
Mayor Mounce

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Nakanishi

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


RANDI JOHL
City Clerk