

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 88-527

RELATIVE TO AN AGREEMENT WITH JOHN C. FREMONT
HOSPITAL CONTINGENT UPON PASSAGE OF MEASURE A

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has received numerous citizen requests to ensure the continued operation of the ambulance service in Mariposa County, and the emergency room at John C. Fremont Hospital; and

WHEREAS, John C. Fremont Hospital has requested the Board of Supervisors assistance in maintaining the operation of the emergency room and other hospital services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has placed Measure A on the November 8, 1988 ballot to provide for a transaction and use tax increase of one half percent in order to finance continued operation of the ambulance and emergency services; and

WHEREAS, in the event of the passage of Measure A, funds will be available to the Board of Supervisors as General Funds to be allocated for general fund purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has taken the position they wish to use these funds for ambulance and emergency service functions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors, County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California, intends to execute an agreement with the John C. Fremont Hospital if Measure A passes. The intent of that agreement would include the following conditions at a minimum:

1) John C. Fremont Hospital is to reassume responsibility for ambulance service in those areas of Mariposa County in which it previously served, and based upon standards as outlined by the Board of Supervisors. The County accepts no responsibility to ensure the ambulance or ambulance services.

2) John C. Fremont Hospital will continue responsibility for emergency services at the Hospital assuring this service and ambulance service will be their highest priorities. Revenues generated by the ambulance and emergency room will be used to maintain those services.

3) Mariposa County in the event of passage of Measure A will commit up to \$200,000 yearly from General Fund revenues for the subvention of audited losses resulting from the ambulance and emergency room services. The losses shall be

based upon generally accepted accounting principles for hospitals. All ancillary revenues associated with emergency room activity will be reflected in revenues resulting from ambulance and emergency room services. The County will retain the right to audit the losses on an annual basis, or more often as required. County participation in the financing of these services does not reflect the participation of the County in the business of the Hospital; but is instead in response to the Hospital's request for assistance.

4) Clinic services will continue as a part of the emergency room services at the discretion of the Hospital.

5) Mariposa County will investigate the shifting of the home health service in the Mariposa Health Department pending available funding.

6) Mariposa County will explore with John C. Fremont Hospital identification and correct reimbursement for those services which John C. Fremont Hospital is now rendering at no cost or not being properly compensated. This excludes compensation under existing State funded programs (such as CMSP) which may or may not be underfunded.

7) Other and additional issues which may come up and be resolved in negotiating a contract with the Hospital.

Upon assurance of the availability of funds, Mariposa County will open negotiations with John C. Fremont Hospital to prepare an agreement based upon these principles.


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 25th day of October , 1988, by the following votes:

AYES: Baggett, Erickson, Radanovich, Taber

NOES: Dalton

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None


ERIC J. ERICKSON, Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

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ATTEST:



MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY



JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel