

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-31

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEMOORE
IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 3034 – THE SAFE, RELIABLE HIGH-SPEED
PASSENGER TRAIN BOND ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY**

At a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lemoore duly called and held on June 3, 2008 at 7:30 p.m., it was moved by Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____ and carried that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century has clear goals to serve major population centers in the state and links regional and local transit systems to form an integrated transportation system throughout the state. The system will link the Central Valley to the East Bay, through the Altamont Corridor, and Sacramento to Los Angeles by way of Stockton to Fresno to Bakersfield to Palmdale with electric trains that are capable of operating speeds of no less than 200 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, The Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century will cost about one-third of what it would cost to provide the same level of mobility and service with highway and airport improvements and will contribute significantly toward the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants and will help reduce California's dependence on foreign energy sources; and

WHEREAS, The Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century is intended to encourage the federal government and the private sector to make significant contributions toward the construction of the high-speed train system, and that the entire system shall be constructed as quickly as possible in order to maximize ridership and the mobility of Californians, to be completed no later than 2020; and

WHEREAS, The Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century will construct the High-Speed Rail System in a way that reduces impacts on communities and the natural environment, preserve wildlife corridors and mitigate impacts to wildlife movement by following existing transportation or utility corridors to the fullest extent possible; and

WHEREAS, The Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century is imperative to remedy the continuing growth in California's population and the resulting increase in traffic congestion, airport congestion, air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions, and the continuation of urban sprawl; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The City of Lemoore does strongly support a Rail Stop be created in the Hanford or Visalia area for the benefit of Lemoore's citizens to travel safely from city to city; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Lemoore City Council communicates its SUPPORT of Assembly Bill 3034 - The Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lemoore held on the 3rd day of June, 2008 by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

APPROVED:

John F. Murray, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nanci C.O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF KINGS) ss.
CITY OF LEMOORE)

I, Nanci C. O. Lima, City Clerk of the City of Lemoore do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lemoore was duly passed and adopted at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lemoore called and held on June 3, 2008.

Dated: June 4, 2008

Nanci C. O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk