## SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



FROM: Supervisor Jeff Stone

SUBMITTAL DATE: March 24, 2010

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 2010-114 Stop Healthcare Mandate Utilizing Courts (S.H.M.U.C.)

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve Resolution No. 2010-114.

Background: Health care costs have spiraled out of control making health insurance unaffordable for millions of people. There are several factors responsible for the high cost of health insurance. While health care reform may be prudent, single payer government mandated health care does not resolve these factors responsible for driving up the cost. As President Reagan once said "Government is not the solution to our problem, government is the problem."

I propose that the Board of Supervisors join with the majority of the citizens of this country and oppose the government mandated health care plan with its unaffordable price- tag, and that the Board also encourage the State Attorney General to join in the legal challenge of this plan's constitutionality.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-114
STOP HEALTHCARE MANDATE UTILIZING COURTS
(S.H.M.U.C.)

Whereas, The U.S. House of Representatives recently passed sweeping Health Care reform mandating health care for all U.S. citizens, and

Whereas, the Tenth Amendment to the constitution establishes and protects certain State's rights regarding such Federal mandates, and

Whereas, forcing citizens of the United State to purchase health insurance is thereby unconstitutional, and

Whereas, ten State Attorney Generals across the United States intend to file collective lawsuits on behalf of the States of Alabama, Florida, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, and Washington, to protect all U.S. citizen's constitutional rights and to preserve the framework intended by the nation's founders, and defend said States from further unconstitutional infringement by the federal government, and

Whereas, this could eventually become an unfunded mandate imposed on the State of California which does not have the necessary financial resources to deliver such mandated healthcare thereby jeopardizing the health and safety of the citizens of the County of Riverside, and

Now, therefore let it be resolved, that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors encourages all cities and counties within the State of California to join the effort to urge the Attorney General of the State of California to partner with the 10 aforementioned states and their Attorney Generals to file litigation to stop this Federal health care mandate based on it's unconstitutionality.

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