

Sample Resolution Endorsing the Policy Statement from the California League of Cities and the California Association of Counties – Collaborative Planning to Decrease Impacts on Public Health and Safety Resulting from Wildland Urban Interface Fires

Whereas, (City, County, or Association) recognizes that the wildland fire problem is an issue of statewide importance and significance; and

Whereas, extreme fire events such as the October/November 2003 Southern California fires will happen again unless improvements in fuel management, land use policies and fire safe building standards are put into place to protect lives, structures, infrastructure, watershed, community parklands, and other vital community assets, and

Whereas, the Executive Boards of the League of Cities, herein referred to as the “League” and California Association of Counties, herein referred to as “CSAC”, has unanimously adopted the attached Policy Statement that declares a “call to action” to create stronger defensive strategy for dealing with wildland fire threat, and

Whereas, the defensible strategy involves a collaborative analysis of the land use, building standards and fuels management concerns associated with living in and near the wildland, and

Whereas, the League and CSAC will identify a core team of leaders who will join with political leaders from the State to lead a task force made up of community planners, environmental agencies, housing and economic development specialist, fire service, law enforcement, business and industry, and the insurance industry to implement the defensive strategy identified in the Policy Statement.

Therefore, let it be resolved that the (City, County or Agency) on this ____ day of _____, 2004 supports the Policy Statement signed by the President and Executive Directors of the League and CSAC and encourages that the League and CSAC move with collaboratively and aggressively to seek implementation of the defensive strategy identified in the Policy Statement.

Signature spots for the Board President, Mayor or Chair of the Board and the Executive Director from the agency who passes this Resolution