



RESOLUTION NO. 2009-203

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO IN
SUPPORT OF THE ARRA TRACK 2 GRANT APPLICATION HIGH SPEED RAIL
AUTHORITY STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, in 1996, the California State Legislature created the California High Speed Rail Authority to develop a plan for the construction, operation and financing of a statewide, intercity high speed passenger rail system; and

WHEREAS, California officials and citizens have been working together to plan for a high speed rail system for California and in November 2008 California voters approved \$9.95 billion in bond funds to finance a high speed rail system that will run from Sacramento through the San Joaquin Valley to San Diego, with a segment of the system branching out to the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the California High Speed Rail Authority is planning to have a number of station stops throughout the system, with one of the station stops to be located in downtown Fresno; and

WHEREAS, the community of Fresno has a proven track record of enthusiastic support for the California High Speed Rail Project and is ideally situated to provide a convenient station stop for High Speed Rail customers; and

WHEREAS, the California High Speed Rail Authority is preparing an application for ARRA (stimulus) funding from the federal government for sections of the California high-speed rail system, and is currently considering which Central Valley project(s) should be included in the ARRA application; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor Ashley Swearengin and the Fresno City Council that the California High Speed Rail system would greatly benefit the San Joaquin Valley and State of California, and that both the Mayor and the Fresno City Council:

- Supports the continuing development of high speed rail on a statewide basis.
- Supports a unified approach for the Central Valley.
- Supports an ARRA application for California that includes the Central Valley component of the high speed rail system as recommended by HSRA staff at the September 3rd Authority meeting, specifically including non-urban segments of the system from Merced to Fresno and Fresno to Bakersfield.

Adopted _____
Approved 9/17/09
Effective _____

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF FRESNO } ss.
City of Fresno }

I, REBECCA E. KLISCH, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, California, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 17th day of September, 2009.

AYES: Borgeas, Brand, Dages, Perea, Westerlund, Xiong, Sterling
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Approval: _____ N/A _____, 2009
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____ N/A _____, 2009
Mayor Veto: _____ N/A _____, 2009
Council Override Veto: _____ N/A _____, 2009

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City Clerk



Deputy