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Adoption of Resolution supporting Marin County's participation in SUBJECT: the Rails to Trails Conservancy's Campaign for Active Transportation for the 2010 Reauthorization of the Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that your Board adopt the Resolution.

SUMMARY: The next federal transportation bill reauthorization (Transportation Equity Act, or TEA) is planned for 2010. In anticipation of this, the Rails to Trails Conservancy (RTC) is embarking on its Campaign for Active Transportation, the purpose of which is to expand and increase the funding for the Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program in the next TEA to \$50 million to each of 40 communities.

Marin County was selected as one of four demonstration communities for the initial Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program (NTPP) in 2005. As you are aware, we have been aggressively working on delivering infrastructure projects and implementing education and outreach programs to demonstrate success with the \$25 million allocated to Marin in the NTPP. Continued participation as a demonstration community will enable continued collection of data showing modal shift while continuing to build out the county's network of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

An "Active Case Statement" is being prepared which demonstrates Marin's successes as an initial demonstration community, its continued efforts to achieve mode shift, and why Marin should continue as a demonstration community. The Active Case Statements will be used by RTC to campaign for inclusion in the next TEA authorization.

As part of the Active Case Statement, inclusion of letters of support are an important component of the package. To this end, a resolution of support from your Board is attached for your consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT: None			
REVIEWED BY:	[] [] []	Auditor Controller County Counsel Human Resources	N/A N/A N/A
Very truly yours,			

Craig Tackabery
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Attachment

1. Resolution

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