RESOLUTION NO. 2008-____ RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN OPPOSITION TO

PROPOSITION 8 "ELIMINATES RIGHT OF SAME-SEX COUPLES TO MARRY"

ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 STATEWIDE BALLOT

WHEREAS, We, the Marin County Board of Supervisors, hereby proclaim our opposition to Proposition 8, otherwise known as the "California Marriage Protection Act," the "Same-Sex Marriage Ban" or the "Limit on Marriage Amendment," certified for the November 4, 2008, statewide ballot; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 8 would add a new constitutional amendment to the California Constitution that will have exactly the following text: "Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California"; and

WHEREAS, our Board's policy has consistently been in support of same-sex marriage, including support for the same rights and responsibilities for same-sex partners as are afforded opposite-sex partners; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Analyst's Office estimates 'potential revenue loss, mainly from sales taxes, totaling in the several tens of millions of dollars, to state and local governments (were the measure to pass). In the long run, (there is) likely little fiscal impact on state and local governments;' and

WHEREAS, the Marin County Board of Supervisors opposes any restriction of the rights of same-sex individuals to marry and to enjoy the same rights and responsibilities as opposite-sex marriages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marin County Board of Supervisors urges the people of the County of Marin to oppose Proposition 8 on the November 4, 2008 statewide ballot.

	at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the ay of, 2008, by the following vote:
AYES: SUPERVISORS NOES: ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLERK	