

RESOLUTION NO. 00-6

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
ENDORING PROPOSITION 14 ON THE MARCH 7, 2000 BALLOT

WHEREAS, public libraries are a supplement to the formal system of free public education and deserve adequate financial support from government at all levels; and

WHEREAS, a viable statewide system of public libraries is essential to assist the schools, support children, and serve the general public in all local communities; and

WHEREAS, community public libraries are an important partner in providing a quality education for children and ensuring lifelong learning opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, local public libraries throughout California need additional funding for the construction of new libraries and for the expansion and renovation of existing library facilities to better serve their communities; and

WHEREAS, the California State Library recently conducted a statewide survey which identified a need for over 425 local library projects at a cost in excess of \$2 billion; and

WHEREAS, first priority is given to projects which are joint ventures between public libraries and the schools; and

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature and Governor approved SB3, the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2000, authorizing \$350 million in State bonds to fund grants on a 65% state - 35% local match basis; and

WHEREAS, this measure will appear on the March 7, 2000 statewide ballot as PROPOSITION 14 and, if approved by California voters, will provide significant funding to address California's public library construction needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Los Altos endorses PROPOSITION 14 on the March 7, 2000 ballot, and encourages voters of the City of Los Altos to voice their support of quality public library services by voting in favor of this important measure.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced and adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Los Altos on February 8, 2000 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Moss, Councilmembers Becker, Casto, La Poll, and Lear
NOES: None
ABSENT: None



JOHN MOSS, MAYOR

Attest:



CAROL SCHARZ, CITY CLERK