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SACRAMENTO AD-HOC CHARTER COMMISSION

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FROM 9-25-90
TO 10-2-90

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members, Sacramento City Council
FROM: Bob Smith, Executive Director
SUBJECT: COMPLETION OF THE WORK OF THE SACRAMENTO AD-HOC CHARTER COMMISSION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council act to dissolve the Sacramento Ad-Hoc Charter Commission upon successfully completing its task.

BACKGROUND:

Two years ago, the City Council and Board of Supervisors jointly appointed and funded the Sacramento Ad-Hoc Charter Commission to research and study local government structure and offer potential Charter reforms to ensure that our government could better respond to the problems confronting our community. After countless hours of dedicated work, the Commission recently completed its task when it approved a proposed new Charter merging the governments of the City and County of Sacramento. The Charter Commission has since forwarded its proposal to the Citizens Committee on Local Governmental Reorganization, a non-profit corporation empowered under state law to place such an proposal before the electorate. The proposal will be voted upon by the citizens of the City and County this November.

As a result, the work of the Commission has been officially and successfully completed. The task they have been assigned has been achieved. The Commission has made no policy decisions nor held any meetings since they approved their proposal in July. Therefore, I am recommending that the City Council officially act to dissolve the Ad-Hoc Commission.

The currently funded 1.5 staff positions, approved by both the Board and City Council based upon the recommendation of the County Executive and City Manager, is scheduled to be terminated at the end of November, 1990. During this period, staff is cataloguing

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and organizing the materials collected during the effort for historical purposes. In addition, staff is receiving numerous calls each day from citizens, City and County staff, the media, and other concerned parties for factual information regarding the Charter. Further, Commission staff has been working closely with City and County management in preparing for the transition should it become necessary. Commission staff is not working with **any** campaign groups in any capacity.

Finally, having worked with numerous excellent citizen commissions during my career, I believe that this Commission was the most hard-working and productive commission with which I have had the privilege to be associated. Their dedication and commitment to this project has been nothing short of extraordinary. Even though many divergent viewpoints were present during this important project, this group always strived to find a consensus in a statesman-like manner that rose above their individual viewpoints. As a result, they have produced a product that truly represents a consensus of the community. I believe that each of the members should be highly commended for their work and true citizenship.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Sacramento Ad-Hoc Charter Commission

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RESOLUTION NO. 90-816

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

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**RESOLUTION DISSOLVING THE SACRAMENTO
AD-HOC CHARTER COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Sacramento Ad-Hoc Charter Commission ("the Commission") was jointly appointed by the Sacramento City Council and Sacramento County Board of Supervisors in August, 1988, to study reorganization of Sacramento local government; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has spent the last two years researching and discussing different reorganizational proposals from across the nation and Canada; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has conducted numerous community meetings to gain an understanding of the needs of the citizens of both the City and County of Sacramento; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission was extraordinarily hardworking, dedicated, and committed to the project and always strived to find a consensus in a statesman-like manner, rising above their individual viewpoints; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission, believing its proposal represents a true consensus of the community, approved the final charter in July, 1990, which will create a merged City and County government; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission then forwarded this charter to the Citizen's Committee for Local Governmental Reorganization, a non-profit corporation empowered under California State law to place this proposal before the electorate; and,

WHEREAS, the Citizen's Committee for Local Governmental Reorganization has exercised its option and placed the proposed charter on the November 1990 ballot for a citizen vote; and,

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WHEREAS, the Commission, by presenting this final charter proposal has effectively completed its charge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Sacramento that the Sacramento Ad-Hoc Charter Commission, having successfully completed its charge, is officially dissolved this 2nd day of October, 1990.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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