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# RESOLUTION NO. 86-820

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

**APPROVED**  
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

OCT 28 1986

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE  
SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL'S  
OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 63

OFFICE OF THE  
CITY CLERK

WHEREAS, Proposition 63 on the November 4, 1986 ballot, would provide that English is the official language of the State of California;

WHEREAS, the Sacramento City Council recognizes the pluralistic nature of California and American society, and the importance of the English language to persons who wish to participate fully in that society;

WHEREAS, there is no evidence that immigrants to California do not desire, to learn the English language and participate fully in California and American society;

WHEREAS, Proposition 63 does nothing to increase immigrants' opportunities to learn English, may in fact lead to a decrease in such opportunities; and threatens the provision of vital services in languages other than English;

WHEREAS, the vague provisions of Proposition 63 are likely to spawn numerous expensive lawsuits at all levels of government, including local government;

WHEREAS, the Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission of the City and County of Sacramento held a hearing on September 27, 1986 to consider presentations by proponents and opponents of Proposition 63 and thereafter voted unanimously to officially oppose Proposition 63 and to ask the Sacramento City Council and the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors to adopt resolutions in opposition to Proposition 63.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

The City Council of the City of Sacramento opposes Proposition 63.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

10-28-86

Res. opposing Prop. 63.

English as Official Language

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