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October 2, 1987

City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: DOWNTOWN LOOP

SUMMARY

During the years 1970 to 1981, the traffic in the "downtown loop", J Street and L Street, became so congested that the Police Department felt it was necessary to create special emergency lanes on these streets in order to permit police vehicles, fire vehicles, and ambulances to get through the traffic jams. The lanes were created by restricting parking at certain times, thus freeing the parking lane for these vehicles to traverse.

As time went by, the situation cleared and has now eased to a point that it can be controlled by more conventional procedures. The emergency lanes are no longer necessary and signs have been removed from some streets. We are having the remaining signs removed from J and L Streets at this time.

BACKGROUND

On summer weekends in 1981, the evening traffic congestion in downtown Sacramento had progressed to a point that even emergency vehicles could not traverse J or L Streets. Because of this life threatening situation, it was decided to clear an emergency lane along each of those streets by restricting parking and removing illegally parked vehicles. These parking restrictions were established by Resolutions 81-590 and 81-591, passed on August 4, 1981.

PROBLEM/ANALYSIS

Over the following years several factors have combined to alleviate most of the congestion in the downtown area. It appears that traffic can now be controlled by conventional means, unless the "cruising" phenomenon or some other source of increased volume returns to the downtown area.

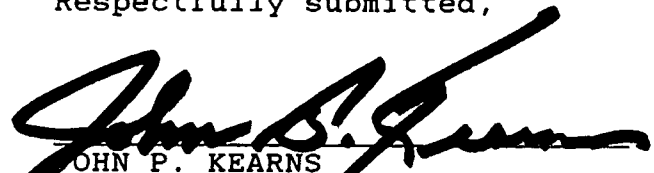
At the present time, the need for enforcement is minimal and the violators are usually persons with legitimate business in the downtown area.

On an experimental basis, the Police Department is having the remaining signs removed from J and L Streets. The results will be monitored and the signs will be reposted if the traffic situation deteriorates.

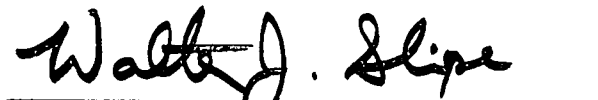
RECOMMENDATION

This letter is for informational purposes only. It is intended to keep the Councilmembers apprised of the fact that the signs are being removed and that more on-street parking will be available on weekends.

Respectfully submitted,


JOHN P. KEARNS
CHIEF OF POLICE

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Walter J. Slive, City Manager

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October 13, 1987
District 1

RESOLUTION NO. 81-590

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

AUG 4 1981

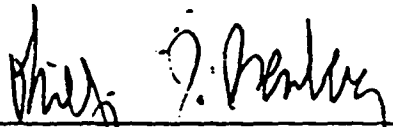
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TOW-AWAY ZONES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

Pursuant to Section 25.107 of the Sacramento City Code when signs are erected giving notice thereof, vehicles parked or left standing at certain times will be towed away on the following described streets or parts of streets:

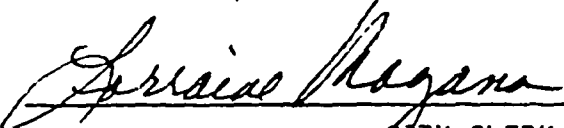
J Street between 5th Street and 14th Street on the north side only;

L Street between 3rd Street and 15th Street on the south side only.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION No. 81-590
AUG 4 1981

RESOLUTION NO. 81-591

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

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A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING PARKING DURING CERTAIN HOURS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

SECTION 1.

Pursuant to Section 25.103 of the Sacramento City Code when signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall stop, stand, or park any vehicle upon any of the following described streets or parts of streets between the hours specified on said signs.

Balboa Circle;

Bidwell Way between Freeport Boulevard and 19th Street on the north side only;

Bidwell Way between Freeport Boulevard and the Western Pacific tracks on the south side only;

Caleb Avenue between Sandburg Drive (West) and Sandburg Drive (East);

Carlson Drive between Sandburg Drive (North) and State Avenue;

Cisco Circle;

Colonial Way between Stockton Boulevard and Sherman Way;

E Street between Coloma Way and 270' Easterly;

Freeport Boulevard between 4th Avenue and Sutterville Road;

Hale Court;

J Street between 5th Street and 14th Street on the north side only;

J Street between 7th and 8th Streets on the north side only;

J Street between 14th Street and 15th Street on the south side only;

J Street between 55th Street and 56th Street;

K Street between 14th Street and 16th Street on the north side only;

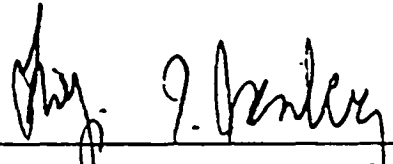
L Street between 3rd Street and 15th Street on the south side only;

- O Street between 8th Street and 9th Street;
- Sacramento Boulevard between Broadway and the south city limits;
- Sandburg Drive between State Avenue (West) and State Avenue (East);
- Seward Court;
- Sherman Way between Stockton Boulevard and Colonial Way;
- Southgate Road from Royal Oaks Drive and 300 feet westerly;
- Stacia Way between Shielah Way and Joaquin Way on the north side only;
- State Avenue between Sandburg Drive (West) and Sandburg Drive (East);
- T Street between 39th Street and 44th Street;
- U Street between Stockton Boulevard and 48th Street;
- V Street between 39th Street and 48th Street on the north side only;
- West Land Park Drive between Cavanaugh Way and Bartley Drive;
- X Street between Stockton Boulevard and 45th Street on the south side only;
- 7th Avenue between Freeport Boulevard and 19th Street on the north side only
- 8th Street between Capitol Avenue and O Street;
- 9th Avenue from 23rd Street east on the north side only;
- 9th Street between K Street and L Street on the east side only;
- 9th Street between Capitol Avenue and P Street;
- 9th Street between P Street and Q Street on the east side only;
- 9th Street between V Street and W Street on the east side only;
- 13th Avenue between Land Park Drive and Freeport Boulevard on the north side only;
- 16th Street between D Street and J Street on the west side only;
- 24th Street between Broadway and 1st Avenue on the east side only;
- 24th Street between Burnett Way and 1st Avenue on the west side only;
- 39th Street between T Street and V Street;
- 40th Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;
- 41st Street between H Street and J Street on the west side only;
- 41st Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;

42nd Street between V Street and Hwy. 50;
 43rd Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;
 44th Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;
 45th Street between V Street and Hwy. 50;
 59th Street between P Street and R Street on the west side only;
 59th Street between 8th and 11th Avenues, west side;
 61st Street between 8th and 11th Avenues, east side;
 Drives in William Land Park;

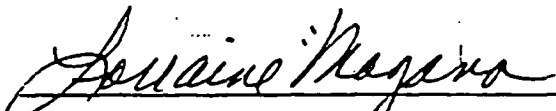
SECTION 2.

Resolution No. 80-713 is hereby repealed.



 MAYOR

ATTEST:



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