

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2010

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CHOWCHILLA DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
SUPPORTING THE HIGH SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY ALIGNMENT DESIGNATED AS "A1"**

**WHEREAS**, THE VOTERS OF THE STATE OF California has approved funding of the high speed rail system designed to travel from Los Angeles to San Francisco and to points in between,

**WHEREAS**, the High Speed Rail Authority has selected two potential north/south routes designated as "A1" near or along the existing BNSF right of way and "A2" near or along the UPRR right of way,

**WHEREAS**, The Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce Supports the High Speed Rail System in California as a vital component of the future of the San Joaquin Valley and the entire State of California,

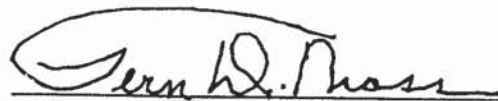
**WHEREAS**, Directors of the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce have attended public hearings provided by the High Speed Rail Authority and participated in attempting to identify alternate rail routes that would minimize the impact on The City of Chowchilla businesses and district agriculture,

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IS BE RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce hereby resolves, finds, and orders as follows:

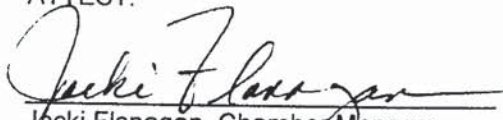
1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce supports High Speed Rail Alignment along the Santa Fe Railroad Corridor, designated as "A1" by the High Speed Rail Authority.
3. This Alignment follows an established transportation corridor and mitigates any negative affects on the City of Chowchilla.
4. The Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce does not support The High Speed Rail Alignment along the Union Pacific Railroad, designated as "A2" by the High Speed Rail Authority. This alignment creates short and long term negative effects on the City of Chowchilla, its retail and commercial corridors, and potential loss of businesses and jobs.
5. The Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce supports the East/West Alignment of the High Speed Rail to be placed on Avenue 21 as it enters Madera County from the West. The Chamber further supports the East/West to North/South "Wye" connection to be placed at the intersection of Avenue 21 and the Santa Fe Railroad (A1). This alignment and connection has been proposed to the High Speed Rail staff. This connection and alignment minimizes the negative effects on farm land, the Fairmead Fossil Discovery Center, major businesses along Avenue 24 and at Highway 99 & Avenue 24, and the City of Chowchilla.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce at a special meeting held on May 21, 2010 by the follow vote to wit:

AYES: *Seven*  
NOES: *0*  
ABSENT: *Four*  
ABSTAIN: *0*

  
Vern Moss, President

ATTEST:

  
Jacki Flanagan, Chamber Manager