

RESOLUTION NO. 36-00

SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA MARINE AFFAIRS AND NAVIGATION CONFERENCE  
COMMENTS ON  
THE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY REAUTHORIZATION ACT

THE CITY COUNCIL  
City of Morro Bay, California

WHEREAS, the National Marine Sanctuary Act was authorized by Congress in 1972, and; is currently under consideration for reauthorization by Congress in 2000; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Morro Bay is supportive of creating an effective management structure for the National Marine Sanctuary Act; provided it includes support of existing small craft harbors and public facilities within and adjacent to Marine Sanctuaries; and,

WHEREAS, National Marine Sanctuaries and operational harbors have only recently shared boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, Conflicts have arisen and the city desires to insure an equitable and balanced decision making process that will be efficient and recognize the importance of existing public facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Morro Bay is a member of the California Marine Affairs and Navigation Conference (CMANC), and;

WHEREAS, CMANC has received input from harbors within and near the existing Channel Islands and Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuaries and has adopted a position regarding Marine Sanctuary Authorization Act; and,

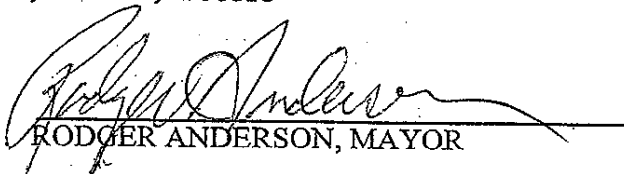
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Morro Bay hereby endorses the California Marine Affairs and Navigation position on of reauthorization of the National Marine Sanctuary Program as follows:

Marine Sanctuaries: Support the preservation of the Nation's ocean resources through Congressionally established marine sanctuaries, without expanding the specific authority of the sanctuaries, or their managers, to: 1) expand sanctuary boundaries; 2) reduce the ability to transport dredged material to designated deposition sites; 3) restrict vessel traffic; 4) establish "no-take zones" or extend their fishery management authority; 5) restrict the ability of ports and harbors to perform general maintenance, or construct improvements, required for operations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to correspond with the appropriate agencies regarding this position.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Morro Bay at a regular meeting held thereof on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2000, by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, Crotzer, Elliott, Peirce, Peters  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

  
RODGER ANDERSON, MAYOR

  
BRIDGETT BAUER, CITY CLERK