RESOLUTION NO. 5-1994

A RESOLUTION ON UNFUNDED FEDERAL MANDATES ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT: AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, unfunded federal mandates on state and local governments has increased significantly in recent years;

WHEREAS, federal mandates require cities and towns to perform duties without consideration of local circumstances, costs, or capacity, and subject municipalites to civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance;

WHEREAS, federal mandates require compliance reqardless of other pressing local needs and priorities affecting the health, welfare, and safety of municipal citizens;

WHEREAS, excessive federal burdens on local governments force some combinations of higher local taxes and fees and/or reduce local services on citizens and local taxpayers;

WHEREAS, federal mandates are too often inflexible, on-size-fits-all requirments that impose unrealistic time frames and specify procedures or facilities where less costly alternatives might be just as effective;

WHEREAS, existing mandates impose harsh pressures o local budgets and the federal government has imposed a freeze upon funding to help compensate for any new mandates;

WHEREAS, the cumulative impact of these legislative and regulatory actions directly affect the citizens of our cities and towns; and

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities, following up on last year's successful effort, is continuing its national public education campaign to help citizens understand and then reduce the burden and inflexibility of unfunded mandates, including a National Unfunded Mandates Week, October 24-30, 1994;

NOW, therefore, be it resolved that the City of Dietrich endorses the efforts of the National League of Cities and supports working with NCL to fully inform our citizens about the impact of federal mandates on our government and the pocketbooks of our citizens;

BE it further resolved that the City of Dietrich endorses organizing and participating in events during the week of October 24-30, 1994; and finally

BE it further resolved that the City of Dietrich resolves to continue our efforts to work with members of our Congressional delegation to educate them about the impact of federal mandates and actions necessary to reduce their burden on our citizens.

ADOPTED BY THE DIETRICH CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF DIETRICH, IDAHO

This 10th day of October, 1994.

Approved:

MAYOR JEANETTA KNOWLES

Attest:

IVA LEE GREEN, DIETRICH CITY CLERK