

RESOLUTION 521

EXHIBIT
NO. 11

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

January 16, 1948
SACRAMENTO RIVER DEEP WATER CHANNEL

WHEREAS, the Sacramento River has provided water transportation facilities for Sacramento and Northern California since 1849, and

WHEREAS, ships originally sailed from New York to Sacramento via Cape Horn and the Straits of Magellan prior to the days of hydraulic mining, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government recognized the need of a navigable channel in the Sacramento River and has maintained such a channel at considerable governmental expense for many years, and

WHEREAS, more than 600 wholesalers, jobbers and distributors, 500 manufacturers and numerous food processing plants have maintained large merchandise stocks at Sacramento for distribution throughout Northern California, Southern Oregon and Western Nevada, and

WHEREAS, these wholesalers, jobbers and others have justified this distribution because of water transportation and have made extensive use of such facilities, and

WHEREAS, numerous agricultural and food processing plants here use water transportation in reaching their market, and

WHEREAS, the tendency of steamship operators at present, is to apply terminal or base rates at points where they can send their ships, and

WHEREAS, the United States Engineers have surveyed the Sacramento River and found the 30 foot ship channel a practical and economically-sound project and the Chief of Engineers has recommended the Congress approve such a project, and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has appropriated \$750,000.00 for the purpose of defraying a portion of the cost of acquisition of easements and right-of-ways contingent upon Federal assistance, and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento-Yolo Port District did, on date of November 4, 1947, vote by an overwhelming majority of six to one to bond itself in sum of \$3,750,000.00 predicated also upon Federal participation, and

WHEREAS, the Presidential Budget presented January 12th recommended to Congress the appropriation of \$2,500,000.00 for Federal participation in the Sacramento River Deep Water Channel Project, and

WHEREAS, foregoing appropriation recommended by the President will be considered at a hearing before the House Sub-Committee on Appropriations at Washington, D. C., January 24th, 1948 at 10 o'clock a.m.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Sacramento does hereby re-affirm its approval of the proposed 30 foot ship channel project as described in the report of and recommended by the Chief of Engineers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Sacramento hereby reiterates the indispensable value and urgent necessity of this channel in the further commercial development of Northern California,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Honorable Peter E. Mitchell, Councilman of the City of Sacramento and Member of the Board of Elections of the Sacramento-Yolo Port District, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to personally appear at the hearing scheduled before the House Sub-Committee on Appropriations at hour of 10 o'clock a.m. on date of January 24, 1948 at Washington, D. C. and there to represent the City Council of the City of Sacramento and to present a copy of this resolution for the consideration of said Committee, together with such other supporting data as may be necessary in urging the approval of the President's recommendation appropriating the sum of \$2,500,000.00.

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO IN REGULAR SESSION ON DATE OF JANUARY 16, 1948.

Belle Cooleidge
MAYOR

ATTEST:

H. G. Denton

CITY CLERK