

**A Citizens Petition to the California State Legislature
To Vote for and Pass AJR 51: Real ID Act of 2005 Implementation
And to Otherwise Oppose and Prevent
the Implementation of the Federal Real ID Act**

We the undersigned citizens of the State of California do express our opposition and extreme disfavor to the Real ID Act of 2005 and its implementation in the state and petition the California State Legislature to pass Resolution AJR 51, REAL ID Act of 2005: implementation, introduced to the Legislature on March 10, 2008 by Assemblymember Pedro Nava, Chair of the Joint Committee on Emergency Services & Homeland Security and Chair of the Assembly Transportation Committee, and to take other such measures.

We affirm these excerpted passages of the proposed Resolution:

WHEREAS, REAL ID was passed without sufficient deliberation by Congress and never received a hearing by any congressional committee or any vote solely on its own merits; and

WHEREAS, California, under the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, has always exercised its exclusive power to establish standards and regulations for the issuance of California state driver's licenses and California state identification cards; and

WHEREAS, REAL ID wrongly coerces states into doing the federal government's bidding by threatening to refuse to the citizens of noncomplying states the privileges and immunities enjoyed by the citizens of other states; and

WHEREAS, REAL ID mandates that California link parts of its database to the departments of motor vehicles of all other states, in effect creating a single shared national database containing information on every American driver that exposes every state to the information security weaknesses of every other state and threatens the privacy of every American; and WHEREAS, The "common machine-readable technology" required by REAL ID could convert state-issued driver licenses and identification cards into tracking devices, allowing computers to note and record a person's whereabouts each time he or she is identified; and

We, the undersigned, also add these following objections to the Real ID Act of 2005:

1. That the Real ID is a thinly veiled National ID Card, the adoption of which is appropriate only to societies living under authoritarian and totalitarian rule, such as China, the Soviet Union and Nazi Germany and is anathema to the traditions and the Constitution of the United States of America.
2. That the Real ID takes our country further into a Police State, the trend towards which all patriotic Americans should and do properly oppose.
3. That under the Constitution of the United States, all powers not expressly granted to the Federal government are reserved to the States and to the people, and that as a power not enumerated to the Federal government, the power to create and mandate means of identification belongs to the States, rendering the Real ID Act of 2005 UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Signed,

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