RESOLUTION NO. 29-92

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE COUNTY OF DALLAS PARTICIPATION IN HOUSEHOLD WASTE STUDY PROJECT.

WHEREAS, household hazardous waste contributes to air, soil, storniwater and groundwater contamination that is costly to remedy, and is addressed in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitting requirements; and

WHEREAS, seventeen per cent (17%) of all U.S. Superfund sites are contaminated municipal landfills; and

WHEREAS, the average American household produces approximately fifteen (15) pounds of household hazardous waste annually; and

WHEREAS, Texas Senate Bill 1581 requires that household hazardous waste collection and recycling be addressed in Solid Waste Management Plans; and

WHEREAS, Texas Water Commission's Industrial Solid Waste and Municipal Hazardous Waste Management Regulations, Chapter 335, Subchapter N, provide regulations and requirements for household hazardous waste collection programs; and

WHEREAS, local municipalities within the county have a vested interest in the development at no cost to themselves of an implementation plan for county-wide household hazardous waste diversion; and

WHEREAS, CEED (Coalition for the Earth's Environment of Dallas) has been awarded a grant from EPA (United States Environmental Protection Agency) which will partially fund the hiring of an independent consultant to perform a study and develop an implementation plan for county-wide household hazardous waste diversion; and

WHEREAS, the Household Hazardous Waste Task Force of CEED has over three years' experience working with federal, state and local officials to research household hazardous waste disposal options and to provide public education on alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the CEED Household Hazardous Waste Task Force in November of 1990 successfully conducted a county-wide Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Roundup in cooperation with officials of Dallas County, City of Dallas, City of Garland, Texas Water Commission, and local industry; and

WHEREAS, the resulting implementation plan will be made available to every municipality of Dallas County for use at its discretion; and

WHEREAS, this study and implementation plan cannot be undertaken without additional funding; and

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WHEREAS, the Texas Water Commission has allocated funds to the County of Dallas for household hazardous waste projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Mesquite supports CEED's grant project to develop, with the cooperation of representatives from the County of Dallas and its municipalities, a county-wide household hazardous waste diversion study and plan and urges the County of Dallas to provide matching funds to CEED for the completion of this project.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on this 21st day of September, 1992.

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APPROVED:

B.J. Smith City Actorney

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