IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION expressing the opposition of the Legislature to the proposed rezoning requested by the LaFarge North America Mining Company of a tract in the City of Sugar Creek, MO, from residential to industrial classification to facilitate a mining project on the land.

RESOLUTION #16697, August 25, 2008

INTRODUCED BY Dennis Waits, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Lafarge North America filed an application with the City of Sugar Creek to rezone Cedar Crest Dairy, and filed for a special use permit to mine the property; and,

WHEREAS, this is the fourth time since 2001 that attempts have been made to mine this property, and each time the request has been denied due to the property's location in the middle of a neighborhood surrounded by 1,400 homes, three churches, an elementary school, and a mental health facility; and,

WHEREAS, mining operations carry potential hazards ranging from dust emissions to blasting which may cause structural stress on buildings and homes as well as health-related issues, affecting residents of nearby unincorporated Jackson County; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed mining operations could have an adverse effect on the health and safety of Jackson County residents; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature opposes the proposed rezoning of land owned by LaFarge North America Mining Company for the purpose of facilitating its mining operations and urges the Sugar Creek Planning Commission and Board of Aldermen to disapprove the rezoning.

Date

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a