

## EXHIBIT 3

## RESOLUTION

Whereas the Colorado Mining Association represents the men and firms engaged in mineral extraction from over 200 surface mines, quarries and placers in Colorado; and

Whereas the State of Colorado wisely and conscientiously administers the reclamation of the surface mined lands by appropriate regulations and agreements through its agencies and departments and by the zoning regulations of its political subdivisions; and

Whereas the Federal Government, through the Department of the Interior, proposes to regulate mined land reclamation without recognition of Colorado's capability to regulate and administer: Now, therefore be it

*Resolved by the board of directors of this association,* That any necessary regulation of mined land reclamation should occur at the state level, should be adopted only after a careful technical and economic evaluation, and should be consistent with the encouragement of mineral development, the competitive economics of mining operations and with the needs of other land uses. Further, all members of the State of Colorado delegation in Congress be and are hereby urged to support continued state regulation of mined land reclamation.

Adopted unanimously by the board of directors on April 19, 1968.

JOHN B. RIGG,  
*Manager.*