REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

1. RURAL DROUGHT RELIEF

RR 9548

With the concurrence of the Annual Plan Working Party, grants of \$10,000 have been made to each of the five local authorities in the Canterbury region, namely Hurunui, Waimakariri, Selwyn, Banks Peninsula and Ashburton District Councils for drought relief purposes.

All Councils have expressed their appreciation of this support and several have requested that the grant be made available to the Federated Farmers for distribution through their rural support committees. Federated Farmers are being requested to use the funds to alleviate human need resulting from the drought and to make the funding available not only to farmers but also to contract workers and families who are dependent on the rural infrastructure.

CONSIDERED THIS 25TH DAY OF MARCH 1999

MAYOR