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May 9, 2017

Leonard Smith, Regional Director  
US Economic Development Administration  
Seattle Regional Office  
915 Second Ave, Room 1890  
Seattle, WA 98174

Dear Mr. Smith,

The County of Nevada understands that Sierra Economic Development Corporation, (SEDCorp), the 501(c)(4) corporation and public entity who served as the administrator for the Sierra Planning Organization Joint Powers Agency between the Counties of Nevada, El Dorado, Sierra and Placer and incorporated cities, is dissolving and transitioning its programs to other service providers, including the administration of the grant award with the Economic Development Administration (EDA) which expired on March 31, 2017.

We further understand that SEDCorp desires to transfer the obligation to complete the grant deliverables to Sierra Business Council (SBC), a California 501(c)(3) nonprofit public benefit corporation that is currently engaged in economic development activities in the area serviced by SEDCorp. Additionally, we also understand that the EDA has confirmed their approval that SBC is qualified and willing to assume all the rights and obligations associated with the remainder of the 2016 grant award between SEDCorp and EDA.

Therefore, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors submits this Letter of Support for the EDA to consider and approve the transfer of the EDA grant award to Sierra Business Council in order for the grant award to continue to support economic development services and programs in the regions between the Counties of Nevada, El Dorado, Sierra and Placer and incorporated cities.

Sincerely,

Hank Weston  
Board of Supervisors, Chair

Copied to: Malinda Matson, EDA Representative for Northern California  
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