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**Subject:** SR 25-0647, Item 28

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Dear BOS,

Reading this resolution from beginning to end, I have concerns that Alison Lehman, Heidi Hall, and Hardy Bullock are seeking for senior county staff, for all intents and purposes, becoming democratic advocates and lobbyists funded with our tax paying dollars. I do not believe county staff should have the ability to advocate or lobby against the current administrations agenda using our tax paying dollars in staff compensations! I also want to point out that the board of supervisors is a “non-partisan” assembly of representatives for the five Nevada County Districts.

It’s bad enough we just paid for Heidi and Hardy to go to Washington DC on our tax dollars advocating and lobbying with Democrats.

This resolution is a slippery slope;



## **RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

### **OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA**

#### **RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR THE PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABILITY OF LOCAL COUNTY CORE SERVICES AND LOCAL REPRESENTATION ON APPLICABLE FEDERAL FORUMS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS**

WHEREAS, the United States of America ("U.S.") consists of 50 independent states that remain responsible for the administration of many Federal governmental services and programs for the protection, improvement and safeguarding of the wellbeing of U.S. citizens, naturalized citizens, domestic residents, and foreign visitors in various capacities; and

WHEREAS, the Federal government provides many services and programs through the administration of state and local governments across the U.S. that consists of 3,144 counties, parishes, and townships (county equivalents) that serve as legal sub-units within each state, with the County of Nevada ("County") serving as a legal subdivision of the State of California since its incorporation in 1851 among a total of 58 California counties today; and

WHEREAS, local county and county equivalents provide core services, programs and resources on behalf of both the Federal and State governments as the last line of service delivery; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County's annual FY 2024/25 budget identified 45.8% of its revenue sources from Federal/State Intergovernmental sources of approximately \$166.8 million for its core services; and

WHEREAS, core services are identified as fundamental to the mission of departments and the County to meet mandated and essential community services – areas funded by the County in this category includes state mandates, emergencies, and services that support community health and safety such as County infrastructure, roads, jail, justice, and basic public/mental health services and other social services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors' annual 2025 Objectives include a priority for "Fiscal Stability and Core Services" to maintain the County's financial stability and core services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors adopted its annual 2025 legislative platform via Resolution 25-056 that identified Federal Funding as a key legislative priority and conveyed opposition to legislation that results in budget cuts to County core services or reductions in programs that would adversely impact California counties; and

WHEREAS, recent Federal Executive actions via Executive Orders have resulted in uncertainty with Federal funding sources, grant awards, and large reductions in workforce across many Federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, the loss and/or reduction of federal resources jeopardizes the use of local general fund discretionary dollars that are scarce and small in rural communities with restricted tax bases for projects and programs otherwise difficult or unable to fund; and

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If county staff want to advocate or become lobbyists on their own time, they're more than financially compensated with the average full-time county employees total financial compensation exceeding \$160,000 annually, two times the county's medium household income!

Please vote no on this resolution!

Respectively,

Sent from my iPhone