

# **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION**

## **Nevada County Coalition of Firewise Communities**

The County of Nevada Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in recognizing the Nevada County Coalition of Firewise Communities (“Coalition”) for their outstanding contributions to the community through their dedication and hard work in promoting fire safety in our community.

The Nevada County Coalition of Firewise Communities is an all-volunteer organization formed in 2017 with the mission of promoting fire safety through advocacy, education, and community involvement. For nearly a decade it has brought together representatives of Firewise Communities on a regular basis, both in person and virtually, to share information and amplify the county-wide effort to educate residents on wildfire preparedness. The Coalition launched its efforts with working groups that focused on areas its members identified as the most important, including code enforcement and evacuation. Since that time, the Coalition’s messaging has grown and expanded, and its robust website provides valuable resources on topics that have helped residents understand how to stay informed during wildfire season, how to create defensible space, how different alert systems and apps work, and much more.

From the first presentation to the Board of Supervisors in December 2017 to supporting the launch of the Ready Nevada County campaign in 2019, the Coalition has been a force-multiplier in the community around all things wildfire. Over the years, the dedicated leadership has served as an informational hub for Nevada County’s cohort of Firewise Communities, which has steadily expanded from 22 certified communities in 2022 to more than 100 certified communities in 2025. From its inception, the Coalition has played a valuable role in promoting wildfire resilience across Nevada County, acting as a voice of the people in publicly advocating for better fire-safe practices and policies.

Therefore, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in recognizing the Nevada County Coalition of Firewise Communities for their steadfast dedication and incredible contributions to the fire safety of our community and looks forward to its continued success and growth.

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