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Honorable Board of Supervisors Eric Rood Administrative Center 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, CA 95959

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 2015

SUBJECT: Resolution proclaiming June 2015 as Community Collaborative Month. Presentation "And How Are the Children?" by the Community Support Network of Nevada County and the Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: N/A

BACKGROUND: The Community Support Network of Nevada County (CSN) is an inclusive, voluntary association of agencies and individuals from the Nevada County community who share a common mission: *That all families in Nevada County have ready access to a well-integrated and coordinated support network that is easily available and well-funded.*

The seeds of the CSN were sown in 2008 when three collaboratives decided to come together to better ensure that services provided to Nevada County families were meeting needs, and to identify and fill gaps in these services. There are now over 60 member organizations of CSN that include government agencies, education agencies, community-based organizations, businesses, parents, faith-based groups and others interested in improving the quality of life for children and families in our community.

The Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee (CCTT) is a partnership of non-profit and public organizations working together to address fundamental needs of families in the Tahoe Truckee Region. Collectively, they identify emerging community issues and develop strategies with their combined vision and resources.

CCTT does this by: promoting collaboration; holding the regional "Big Picture"; assessing and prioritizing community needs; convening and facilitating a community response; building

capacity in organizations and community; promoting advocacy and leadership; and maximizing new and existing resources.

CCTT is comprised of over 45 health, social service, education and community-based organizations who meet monthly to collaborate, network, share and learn.

The CSN and CCTT both meet monthly to share ideas, learn about area programs and collaborations, and discuss matters affecting Nevada County families. They work together to build skills and abilities that will sustain and improve our individual and collective efforts to serve the community. By holding regular, focused meetings, the CSN and CCTT improve and foster communication, coordination and collaboration of both public and private agency services for families. They advocate for families by identifying, raising awareness, building recognition and enhancing visibility around existing and emerging issues that strengthen families and improve the health and quality of life for people in our community – especially those facing challenges and who are often underserved.

The Community Support Network of Nevada County and the Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee would like to take the month of June to **recognize and celebrate community collaboratives** and to honor the many excellent agencies and individuals who come together each month to support those families.

Please contact me if any additional information is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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