RESOLUTION No. 23-554

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF UNITED STATES SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN

WHEREAS, Dianne Feinstein was born on June 22, 1933, in San Francisco, California; and

WHEREAS, her public service roots include local government service, where she was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors on November 5, 1969 and became the first female President of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Feinstein remained in local public service despite tremendous personal loss and demonstrated great strength and leadership in the aftermath of the assassinations of San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk, as well as other significant challenges including the White Night riots, the Jonestown massacre, and the AIDS epidemic; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 1992, Dianne Feinstein, along with Barbara Boxer, was among the first two women to represent the State of California in the United States Senate in what became known as the "Year of the Woman"; and

WHEREAS, Dianne Feinstein was re-elected to the Senate by the people of California five more times and, on March 28, 2021, became the longest-serving senator to represent California; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2022, Dianne Feinstein became the longest-serving female senator in the history of the Unites States; and

WHEREAS, Dianne Feinstein's work positively impacted the lives of Nevada County residents including in the areas of public safety, preservation of public lands and national parks in California, diversity and inclusion, intelligence and human rights, cybersecurity, and increasing resources to fight wildfires in California; and

WHEREAS, throughout her tenure as a senator, she always maintained an open-door policy to local governments and rural California counties including Nevada County residents and Nevada County Board of Supervisors and staff; and

WHEREAS, Senator Feinstein's Office maintained a working relationship with Nevada County, meeting with members of the Board of Supervisors and staff, and traveling to Nevada County to meet with the community; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, acting as the as Chair of the Rural County Representatives of California, Nevada County District 3 Supervisor met personally with Senator Feinstein to discuss critical issues facing rural counties; and

WHEREAS, Senator Feinstein advocated directly for Nevada County, helping the County obtain \$2.5M in Congressionally Directed Spending since 2021 for public safety related projects, including the North San Juan Fire Suppression Project and the Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone; and

WHEREAS, while the Fiscal Year 25 federal budget has not yet been adopted, it contains \$750,000 in funding for yet another public safety project in Nevada County that Senator Feinstein advanced through the appropriations process; and

WHEREAS, Dianne Feinstein served as a trailblazer in public service dedicated to the wellbeing of the people of the United States, California, and Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, Dianne Feinstein and her life and legacy are an inspiration for future leaders and women in Nevada County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Nevada County honors the life and legacy of United States Senator Dianne Feinstein and her contributions to the United States, California, and Nevada County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is directed to submit a certified copy of this Resolution to the family of Dianne Feinstein as an extension of the Board of Supervisors' gratitude and condolences.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the <u>7th</u> day of <u>November</u>, <u>2023</u>, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes:

Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward C. Scofield, Lisa Swarthout,

Susan Hoek and Hardy Bullock.

Noes:

None.

Absent:

None.

Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Yeell, Depty COB

Edward C. Scoffeld, Chair