

## RESOLUTION No.

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

## RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 9 THROUGH 17, 2024, AS MILITARY APPRECIATION WEEK IN NEVADA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining our freedoms and way of life; and

WHEREAS, tens of millions of Americans have served in the Armed Forces of the United States during the past century; and

WHEREAS, November 11<sup>th</sup> was first designated Armistice Day in 1938 to mark the armistice signed between the Allies of World War I in 1918; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day was initially organized by World War II Veteran Raymond Weeks in Birmingham, Alabama in 1947 on November 11<sup>th</sup>; and

WHEREAS, November 11<sup>th</sup> was formally proclaimed as Veterans Day in 1954 through the signature of President Dwight Eisenhower and has remained the official observance date since 1978; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County is home to more than 8,500 veterans with services offered to eligible veterans, their dependents and surviving spouses; and

WHEREAS, Beale Air Force Base is located adjacent to Nevada County with 7,000 active-duty military, civilian and contractor personnel with another 8,000 retirees and dependents for a total of 15,000 people; and

WHEREAS, veterans and active-duty military from Beale Air Force Base call Nevada County their home; and

WHEREAS, Beale Air Force Base represents over \$216 Million in economic impact opportunity; and

WHEREAS, our veterans and active-duty military are brave and selfless individuals who, when duty calls, willingly put themselves in harm's way to defend the lives and liberty of others; and

WHEREAS, Gold Star Families continue to provide sacrifice as they survive the loss of their loved ones who provided the ultimate sacrifice for our County; and

WHEREAS, the abiding patriotism and enduring devotion to the ideals on which the United States is founded can never fail to inspire us; and

WHEREAS, our veterans and active-duty military understand the important task before the American service men and women now keeping watch; and

WHEREAS, support for the sacred duty that active-duty personnel provide, and veterans sacrificed for, to keep us safe and ensure our freedom remains true brings us together; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to support our veterans and promote its partnership with Beale Air Force Base where applicable for the mutual benefit of our veterans and their families, active-duty military, and entire community throughout Nevada County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, California hereby proclaims November 9 through 17, 2024, as Military Appreciation Week in Nevada County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entire community is encouraged to show their support and appreciation to our veterans, gold star families, and active-duty military personnel and families by participating in associated activities of Military Appreciation Week and throughout the year.