



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING 2016 AS THE 20th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIERRA COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEVADA COUNTY CAMPUS

WHEREAS, when college bus services had to be curtailed as a result of budget cuts from Proposition 13 in 1978, Sierra College Classes were offered at Nevada Union High School and in other facilities throughout the community and then College Superintendent/President Dr. Gerald Angove vowed to build a campus in Western Nevada County to provide residents with a robust, full-service community college education; and

WHEREAS, carrying on the vision and work of Dr. Angove, Sierra College Superintendent/President Dr. Kevin Ramirez led the opening of the Sierra College Nevada County Campus that was built with state funds between 1993-2005; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 and 1998, the Nevada County Campus Library and Rotary Field were opened for student and community use, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), launched in 2001 to provide noncredit education aimed at the interest of older adults, was the second community college in the United States to receive a \$1 million endowment from the Osher Foundation for the institute in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Child Development Center was built and opened between 2001-2002 with state funds operated in partnerships with Grass Valley School District and Nevada County Superintendent of Schools and opened a second building that now houses Health Services and Disabled Students Programs and Services; and

WHEREAS, Sierra College Nevada County Campus would not be where it is today without the sustained work and efforts over many years of Sierra College Superintendent/Presidents including Dr. Morgan Lynn and Dr. Leo Chavez, as well as commitment of the community to vote in favor of Measure G, Sierra Joint Community College District School Facilities General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$44,400,000 that provided for campus expansion and renovation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby declare 2016 as the 20th Anniversary of the Sierra College Nevada County Campus, and congratulates the commitment of Sierra College and its community partners and stakeholders to promote and empower Nevada County residents with educational opportunities to advance and foster learning throughout the community and beyond.