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LETTER TO BE PLACED ON BOARD LETTERHEAD

January 9, 2018

Jennifer Kent, Director
Department of Health Care Services
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Dear Ms. Kent,

The Nevada County Behavioral Health Department has an urgent need for a short-term appointment of an Acting Behavioral Health Director, thereby necessitating the appointment of an Acting Behavioral Health Director during the interim period, as authorized with your Department's approval pursuant to Title 9, Section 620.1.

Nevada County is requesting approval of the appointment of Phebe Bell, MSW, as Acting Behavioral Health Director, effective December 11, 2017 which appointment shall continue during the recruitment process for a new Behavioral Health Director. The temporary appointment is anticipated to end on May 31, 2018, and in no event longer than twelve months. Ms. Bell has 22 years of experience in staff, program and agency management. Prior to working for Nevada County, Ms. Bell's experience included: Program Officer for the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation, School Readiness Coordinator for First Five Nevada County; Director of the Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee; and Executive Director and Program Manager of Tahoe Women's Services. She received a Master of Social Work from Portland State University and a Bachelor of Arts from Yale University. In addition she has served on various professional and volunteer committees and commissions.

Ms. Bell has been with Nevada County in the capacity of Program Manager for Placer and Nevada Counties since 2013. Ms. Bell's current position will be backfilled with an Interim Program Manager which will allow for her to devote the majority of her time to the temporary assignment of Acting Behavioral Health Director.

Sincerely,

-----, Chair
Nevada County Board of Supervisors

Attachments: Resolution Confirming Appointment