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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: January 23, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Resolution proclaiming February 2018 as Grand Jury Awareness Month

in Nevada County

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attached Resolution

FUNDING: N/A

BACKGROUND:

The Nevada County Grand Jury is an investigative judicial body sanctioned by the Superior Court to act as an extension of the court and community that was created to inquire into and review the conduct of the county government and special districts. The Grand Jury is authorized to inspect and audit the books, records, and financial expenditures of all agencies under its jurisdiction, as well as investigate any complaints or suspicions of misconduct. Jurors apply annually and are appointed by the Jury's Presiding Superior Court Judge. Once appointed, Jurors volunteer their time, spending many hours researching, reading, and attending meetings to monitor local government activities.

Every year, as a part of recruiting applicants for upcoming grand juries, many cities and counties adopt proclamations proclaiming February or March as Grand Jury Awareness Month to promote awareness of what the Grand Jury is, its function and importance. As such, the Grand Jury has requested that the Board consider and adopt the attached Resolution Proclaiming February 2018 as Grand Jury Awareness Month in Nevada County. Grand Jury members Tom Archer and Judith Cowles will be in attendance at the Board meeting.

Item Initiated by: Jeffrey Thorsby, Senior Administrative Analyst

Approved by: Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board

Submittal Date: Revision Date:

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