



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS DISASTER RELIEF,
RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FUNDS FROM THE TAHOE
TRUCKEE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$100,000 TO IMPLEMENT A STORM DEBRIS
RESPONSE MICRO-GRANT PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF
NEVADA COUNTY FIREWISE COMMUNITIES,
AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND
DIRECTING THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO AMEND
THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES BUDGET (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE
REQUIRED)**

WHEREAS, Priority A of the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors is to Reduce the loss of life during a wildfire by improving evacuation routes and early warning systems, creating more defensible space around private properties and driveways, building a network of maintained fuel breaks, engaging residents in emergency preparedness and fire-safe stewardship, and enhancing critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors proclaimed a local emergency on December 30th, 2021 (Resolution 21-541), in response to an intensive winter snow-storm which resulted in an excessive amount of down trees and vegetation making Nevada County vulnerable to wildfire during fire season; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services is responsible for preparing the community and mitigating wildfire hazards in the County; and

WHEREAS, the League of California Community Foundations makes grants available to support the relief, recovery and resilience from natural hazard events in communities across the state of California through their Disaster Relief, Recovery and Resilience Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services built an equity-focused Storm Debris Response Micro-Grant Program to help California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention (CAL FIRE) approved, National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recognized Firewise communities in Nevada County reduce wildfire risk; and

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation was notified by the League of California Community Foundations on June 8th, 2022 of the notice of intent to award the maximum grant amount of \$100,000 in Disaster Relief, Recovery and Resilience funds to implement the Storm Debris Response Micro-Grant Program in collaboration with the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services in consultation with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County has the third highest number of NFPA recognized Firewise communities in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Storm Debris Response Micro-Grant Program will make micro-grants available directly to CAL FIRE approved, NFPA recognized Firewise communities within Nevada County to fund hazardous vegetation reduction projects; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Office of Emergency Services will oversee the implementation of the Storm Debris Response Micro-Grant Program and is bringing forth a resolution to the Board of Supervisors to contract with the Sierra Business Council to administer the grant program; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the micro-grants will be awarded in Eastern Nevada County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the Board of Supervisors hereby accepts \$100,000 of Disaster Relief, Recovery and Resilience Fund funds from the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation to implement a Storm Debris Response Micro-Grant Program in support of Nevada County Firewise communities and authorizes the Director of Emergency Services to execute the grant agreement (Attachment 1) in substantially the form attached hereto with the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation and directs the Auditor Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 22/23 Office of Emergency Services budget as follows:

Increase:
0101-20702-414-1000 / 462400 \$100,000
0101-20702-414-1000 / 521520 \$100,000