



## **RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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

#### **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CALIFORNIA MICROBUSINESS COVID-19 RELIEF GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$122,860.90 FOR THE TERM JANUARY 21, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 30, 2022 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND ALL ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Executive Office applied to the California Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA), part of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz), to administer the California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant on November 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant Program was enacted by Senate Bill No. 151 (Government Code 12100.90); and

WHEREAS, the funds will be expressly for microbusinesses and administered by the Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA) through county agencies and coalitions of nonprofit organizations ("grantmaking entity/ies") that will disperse the funds to microbusinesses and entrepreneurs in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Executive Office, an eligible entity, on November 23<sup>rd</sup> applied for a COVID-19 Relief Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors identified Economic Development focusing on a post-pandemic economic recovery and supporting small businesses as a 2021 Board Objective; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Executive Office leads the coordination of County efforts to further this goal; and

WHEREAS, the County was required to sign a letter designating authority to apply for the grant and the grantor specified that the County Executive Officer could designate authority; and due to a short application deadline, the County Executive Officer signed the letter and applied for the grant; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Executive Office received on December 22, 2021 the notice of intent to award Nevada County a California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant in the amount of \$122,860.90; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the funding is to provide relief to the hardest to reach microbusinesses and entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Executive Office will oversee the implementation of the grant and will bring forth a resolution to the Board of Supervisors to contract with Sierra Business

Council to administer the California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant Program to Qualified Microbusinesses as defined by the Office of the Small Business Advocate; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Executive Office will partner with community-based organizations and media partners to publicize this opportunity; and

WHEREAS, eligible microbusinesses that face systemic barriers to access capital, including but not limited to, businesses owned by women, minorities, veterans, individuals without documentation, individuals with limited English proficiency, and business owners located in low-wealth and rural communities will be targeted with outreach and marketing; and

WHEREAS, the award procedure will be developed following the CalOSBA California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant guidelines, with eligibility defined by Office of the Small Business Advocate and microbusiness owners required to self-certify that funds will be used for eligible uses as defined by Office of the Small Business Advocate; and

WHEREAS, grants of \$2,500 will be awarded to eligible microbusinesses that have been impacted by COVID-19 and the associated health and safety restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors identified Economic Development focusing on a post-pandemic economic recovery and supporting small businesses as a 2021 Board Objective.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby accepts the California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant in the amount of \$122,860.90 for the term January 21, 2022 through December 30, 2022, and authorizes the County Executive Officer to execute the grant agreement and all additional documents required to fulfill the requirements of the grant program.

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