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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: February 17, 2026
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director
SUBJECT: Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Nevada County Behavioral Health Department authorizing Health and Human Services Director to sign program documents.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Following authorization to apply and commit to required match funding through Resolution 24-592, Nevada County Behavioral Health was conditionally awarded BHCIP funding in the amount of \$23,713,907 from the Department of Health Care Services to support the design and building of a behavioral health treatment facility in Nevada County. Behavioral Health (BH) realignment and Patient Care revenue funds currently residing in fund balance will be used to meet the required cash match of \$1,935,859.

BACKGROUND: This State required resolution only transfers signing authority from the Director of Behavioral Health, who will be leaving the County, to the Director of Health and Human Services. The Director of Behavioral Health, Phebe Bell, has provided catalyst leadership to this project, and will be leaving her role with the County with her last day being February 17, 2026. Ryan Gruver, Director of Health and Human Services, has provided leadership and guidance to the project and will provide signing authority on program documents moving forward.

It is recommended that the Board approve this resolution authorizing the Health and Human Services Agency Director to act as signatory and to execute annual agreements, subsequent amendments, and program documents related to participation in the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP), subject to instances during the project when additional authority is sought.

Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Behavioral Health Director