

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN NEVADA COUNTY DUE TO RECURRENT PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS IN RESPONSE TO EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS RESULTING IN UNPRECEDENTED WIND EVENTS AND HIGH FIRE DANGER IN NEVADA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with California Government Code section 8550, provides state assistance and resources to local jurisdictions in the event of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8630 authorizes the proclamation of a local emergency by an official designated by ordinance adopted by the local governing body provided that such emergency proclamation is ratified by the governing body within seven (7) days; and

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2019, Governor Gavin Newsom Proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California due to extremely dangerous fire weather resulting in the deenergization of power lines known as a "Public Safety Power Shutoff" ("PSPS"); and

WHEREAS, due to extreme weather conditions resulting in unprecedented wind events and recurrent high fire danger, on or about October 9, 2019, PG&E began implementing a series of Public Safety Power Shutoffs, affecting multiple counties in Northern California, including most of Western Nevada County and portions of the greater Truckee area; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors ratified and proclaimed such Local Emergency on November 5, 2019, per Resolution 19-588; and

WHEREAS, the series of Public Safety Power Shutoffs left thousands of customers throughout Western Nevada County without power and critical infrastructure for multiple days, including County households, small businesses, public facilities, medical care facilities, and schools; and

WHEREAS, due to the series of PSPS events resulting in extended loss of power, many small businesses and their employees experienced significant economic losses, leaving them in need of support; and

WHEREAS, the conditions resulting in the PSPS events have greatly diminished and the need for a Local Emergency is no longer necessary; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby terminates the Local Emergency Declaration adopted by the Board of Supervisors on November 5, 2019. The Board of Supervisors further affirms and ratifies any and all actions taken by the Purchasing Agent in accordance with said Emergency Proclamation.