

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEVADA COUNTY COMMUNITY LIBRARY TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND THE IMPOSITION OF OVERDUE LIBRARY FINES FOR PATRONS OF THE NEVADA COUNTY COMMUNITY LIBRARY DURING THE LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY PROCLAIMED BY THE NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Community Library provides accessible educational resources for children, teens and adults, from early literacy programs to professional development; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Community Library collects overdue fines at \$0.25 per day with a maximum fine of \$5.00 per item in accordance with Resolution 20-192; and

WHEREAS, the failure of Library patrons to pay overdue fines limits their ability to check-out Library materials until their past due fines are paid; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, per Resolution 20-063, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors proclaimed the existence of a local emergency in Nevada County due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has resulted in severe financial hardships for many residents of Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Community Library's services remain an important resource to the community during the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Community Library desires that its services and resources remain accessible to community members during the emergency, regardless of financial circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Community Library desires to temporarily suspend the imposition of overdue fines for Library patrons during the existence of the Local Health Emergency in order to promote continued public access to Library resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the Nevada County Community Library is authorized to suspend the imposition of overdue fines for patrons of the Nevada County Community Library while the proclamation of a local health emergency in Nevada County due to the COVID-19 pandemic remains in effect.