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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD AGENDA MEMO

MEETING DATE: April 8, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Heidi Hall, District 1

SUBJECT: Certificate of Recognition celebrating the Nevada County Coalition of Firewise Communities for their outstanding contributions to fire safety in the community.

RECOMMENDATION: Present the Certificate of Recognition.

FUNDING: None

BACKGROUND: The Nevada County Coalition of Firewise Communities is an allvolunteer organization formed in 2017 with the mission of promoting fire safety through advocacy, education, and community involvement. For nearly a decade it has brought together representatives of Firewise Communities on a regular basis, both in person and virtually, to share information and amplify the county-wide effort to educate residents on wildfire preparedness. The Coalition launched its efforts with working groups that focused on areas its members identified as the most important, including code enforcement and evacuation. Since that time, the Coalition's messaging has grown and expanded, and its robust website provides valuable resources on topics that have helped residents understand how to stay informed during wildfire season, how to create defensible space, how different alert systems and apps work, and much more.

From the first presentation to the Board of Supervisors in December 2017 to supporting the launch of the Ready Nevada County campaign in 2019, the Coalition has been a force-multiplier in the community around all things wildfire. Over the years, the dedicated leadership has served as an informational hub for Nevada County's cohort of Firewise Communities, which has steadily expanded from 22 certified communities in 2022 to more than 100 certified communities in 2025. From its inception, the Coalition has played a valuable role in promoting wildfire resilience across Nevada County, acting as a voice of the people in publicly advocating for better fire-safe practices and policies.

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Sincerely,

Heidi Hall, District 1 Supervisor