

RESOLUTION No. 22-427

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

## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FRAUD GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,840.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2022, TO JUNE 30, 2023, AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, OR THEIR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the Nevada County District Attorney's Office applied for, and has been awarded, Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant Funds by the California Department of Insurance; and

WHEREAS, Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant Funds in the amount of \$98,840.00 have been made available for the period of July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud program will be funded in part from funds made available through the Workers' Compensation- California Insurance Code Section 1872.83, California Code of Regulations, Title 10, Section 2698.55 et seq. and administered by the California Department of Insurance; and

WHEREAS, it is agreed that any liability arising out of the performance of the Grant Award Agreement, including civil court actions for damages, shall be the responsibility of the grant recipient and the authorizing agency and the State of California and the California Department of Insurance disclaim responsibility for any such liability; and

WHEREAS, the Grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant existing expenditures controlled by this body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be adopted by a majority by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that it accepts the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant Funds in the amount of \$98,840.00 for use from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 to investigate and prosecute workers' compensation insurance fraud, and authorizes the District Attorney, or their designee, to execute all necessary contracts, payment requests, agreements and amendments for the purposes of securing these grant funds and to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the application.

The grant funds received in the amount of \$98,840.00 for said project shall be deposited into District Attorney Revenue Account 0101 20103 101 1000 445090.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the <u>9th</u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>2022</u>, by the following vote of said Board:

| Ayes:   | Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward Scofield, Dan Miller, Susan K. Hoek and Hardy Bullock. |
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| Noes:   | None.   |
| Absent: | None.   |

Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Susan K. Hoek, Chair

8/9/2022 cc: DA\* AC\*



CALIFORNIA INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

July 6, 2022

The Honorable Jesse Wilson District Attorney Nevada County District Attorney's Office 201 Commercial Street Nevada City, CA 95959

## RE: Grant Award for Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Dear District Attorney Wilson,

I am very pleased to report that, for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, a total of \$50,545,239 is available in Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program grant funds to be distributed to 35 District Attorney Offices representing 45 counties, of which **Nevada** has been awarded **\$98,840** for this important Program. This grant award is to be used for the investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud.

The decision to grant these funds was made by my Department staff, in consultation with the California Fraud Assessment Commission. Each application received for grant funding was thoroughly reviewed, with careful consideration given to the applicant's plan to achieve the goals and objectives set by me and the Fraud Assessment Commission earlier this year.

It is my continuing intent that these funds be used effectively to pursue and investigate fraud across California. It is also important to focus these finite resources on combating fraud that continues to increase costs on the workers' compensation system, including medical provider insurance fraud, employer premium fraud, insider fraud, and claimant fraud, among others. Additionally, a coordinated and aggressive outreach program to all communities by your office, including to diverse and underserved communities, with measurable outcomes remains a priority of mine.

Thank you for submitting your application for grant funding and, moreover, congratulations on your award. Please feel free to contact Victoria Martinez, CDI Assistant Chief, Fraud Division, at (323) 278-5062 should you have any questions regarding your award. I look forward to working together with you in our continuing pursuit against workers' compensation insurance fraud.

Sincerely,

RICARDO LARA Insurance Commissioner

cc: Henry Penaluna, Chief District Attorney Investigator

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