



# **RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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

### **RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 23, 2022 AS CALIFORNIA NATIVE AMERICAN DAY IN NEVADA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, more Native Americans call California home and the state includes more federally recognized Indian tribes than any other state in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the cultural and governmental contributions of the Native people of California have shaped the course of the state throughout history; and

WHEREAS, California designated the fourth Friday of every September as Native American Day; and

WHEREAS, California Native American day is celebrated in this state by tribes and communities across the state, and is a day for educators of California to teach factual California Indian history in schools; and

WHEREAS, California Indian tribes are committed to contributing to the educational curricula provided by the state and believe in providing new and improved educational resources about the varied cultural histories of, and governance models used by, California Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, this is the fourth California Native American Day since Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order apologizing for the historical wrongs tolerated, encouraged, subsidized, and committed by state actors against California Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, we can never undo the wrongs inflicted on the people who have lived on this land that we now call California, but we can work together to build bridges, tell the truth about California's past, and begin to heal deep wounds; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has called for a Truth and Healing Council to hear testimony and clarify the historical record on the relationship between the state of California Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, the California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference will be held concurrently with California Native American Day and will assist educators by providing new educational resources regarding the rich and varied lives of the California Indian Nations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 20-533 on December 15, 2020 recognizing the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe's historical, cultural, and continued significance to Nevada County and supporting the restoration of Federal recognition of the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada's Value Statement as adopted by the Board of Supervisors via Resolution 22-093 on February 8, 2022 provides that "we strive to be a community where all residents thrive, visitors feel welcome, and we care for one another despite our differences [and] there is equal and fair access to resources, opportunities are abundant, and everyone does their part to embrace collective responsibility and take actions that uphold racial and social equity"; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada values and supports the historical, cultural, and continued significance of all Native American tribes throughout California and our region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Nevada County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims September 23, 2022 and California Native American Day in Nevada County.