

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SCIENCE

WHEREAS, a significant gender gap has persisted throughout the years at all levels of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines all over the world; and

WHEREAS, even though women have made tremendous progress towards increasing their participation in higher education, they are still under-represented in these fields; and

WHEREAS, as of 2019, women were nearly half of the US workforce, but only 27% of the STEM workforce;

WHEREAS, tackling some of the greatest challenges our planet faces – from improving global health outcomes to combating climate change – will rely on harnessing all talent; and

WHEREAS, diversity in research expands the pool of talented researchers, bringing in fresh perspectives, talent and creativity; and

WHEREAS, the International Day of Women and Girls in Science is an annual observance adopted by the United Nations General Assembly to promote the full and equal access and participation of women in STEM fields; and

WHEREAS, this day is a reminder that women and girls play a critical role in science and technology communities and that their participation should be strengthened; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Nevada County Board of Supervisors hereby acknowledges the International Day of Women and Girls in Science, which took place on February 11.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors celebrates local women in STEM disciplines and girls advancing their STEM knowledge.