



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

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

### **RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JUNE OF 2023 AS “CELEBRATION OF TRAILS MONTH” IN NEVADA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, trails have been a part of the Sierra Nevada landscape for millennia, having served as routes for communication and commerce by Native Americans and, later, providing the means by which immigrants desiring a new life traversed the mountains to explore and settle the territory that would become California; and

WHEREAS, trails in Nevada County not only reveal the history of our region, they serve as a means for enjoying the Sierra environment and intimately experiencing the outdoors, and represent an important recreational resource, creating opportunities to hike, roll, run, bike, ski, and ride a horse; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Bear Yuba Land Trust, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors, state and federal agencies, local nonprofit groups, and businesses join communities across the nation in recognizing “National Trails Day,” on this first Saturday in June, thus reaffirming a commitment to the value of recreation trails, which is highlighted locally with a “Celebration of Trails;” and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of trail enthusiasts are expected to participate in a wide variety of activities on public trails at more than one thousand nationally sanctioned events across the nation; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2023 the Board included recreation as a 2023 priority objective to promote sustainable recreation in partnership with community providers and other jurisdictions to enhance recreational access, support public health and safety, realize economic opportunities and preserve natural resource assets; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the value of collaborative partnerships with public and private agencies to support the ongoing construction and maintenance of trail networks throughout the community, including the Pines to Mines Trail that will someday link the east and west sides of Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, trails and associated greenways provide access to wildlife habitat and migration corridors with rich native plant diversity, and also help reveal our region’s historical and cultural legacies, thus providing opportunities for outdoor education; and

WHEREAS, trail activities bring together friends, neighbors, and family, enhance quality of life, boost tourism, increase active transportation, reduce carbon emissions, build community, and stimulate economic development in Nevada County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim June of 2023 as Nevada County “Celebration of Trails Month.”