



RESOLUTION NO. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING NEVADA COUNTY'S SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PLAN (SIP) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016-2021

WHEREAS, in 2001, the California Legislature passed the Child Welfare System Improvement and Accountability Act (AB 636); and

WHEREAS, this legislation was designed to improve outcomes for children in the Child Welfare System while holding county and state agencies accountable for the outcomes achieved, and this statewide accountability system, which went into effect January 1, 2004, is an enhanced version of the federal oversight system mandated by Congress and used to monitor states' performance; and

WHEREAS, the goals for AB 636 are to:

- Protect children from abuse and neglect.
- Have children safely maintained in their own homes whenever possible and appropriate.
- Provide children permanency and stability in their living situations.
- Preserve the continuity of family relationships and connections for children.
- Enhance families' capacity to provide for their children's needs.
- Ensure children receive appropriate services to meet their educational needs.
- Ensure children receive adequate services to meet physical and mental health needs.
- Prepare youth emancipating from foster care to transition into adulthood; and

WHEREAS, the County's System Improvement Plan 2016 is the third component in the County's review, assessment, planning and improvement of its Child Welfare System which includes Child Protective Services and Juvenile Probation; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County conducted and completed the three mandated components: Peer Review; County Self-Assessment of its child welfare strengths and areas of need; and development of the its System Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County engaged in a thorough and extensive process to complete the County's SIP for Fiscal Years 2016-2021 ensuring engagement from all key stakeholders, parents, child welfare staff and management, services providers, and community groups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, approves the Nevada County System Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2016-2021 in substantially the form attached hereto and that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the Plan on behalf of the County of Nevada.