

## **RESOLUTION No.**

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

## **RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING 2019 AS THE 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CALIFORNIA CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FIRST ACT**

WHEREAS, twenty years ago, the First 5 Nevada County Commission first met to consider how best to support our county's youngest children and families with the funds created by California voters with the passage of Proposition 10 in 1998; and

WHEREAS, First 5 Commissions across the state are charged with responding to local needs and investing in local solutions to improve the lives of young children prenatal through age 5; and

WHEREAS, the value of early childhood investments has been well-documented for individuals and for society by helping to create a solid foundation for brain architecture which forms the basis for all later skills, knowledge, health and behavior; and

WHEREAS, over the last 20 years, First 5 Nevada County has invested more than \$10 million, including leveraged funds of over \$800,000, to serve over 10,000 young children and their families and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, First 5 Nevada County has helped create an integrated system of care for children and families through investments in family support, early learning, child and family health, and advocacy on behalf of young families; and

WHEREAS, this unprecedented investment in California's youngest children – and in its future – has made First 5 the most significant and effective funder of early childhood development programs in the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, County of Nevada, State of California, does hereby proclaim 2019 as the 20th anniversary of The California Children and Families First Act and commends the First 5 Nevada County Commission and its partners in their efforts to provide children with solid foundations, strong futures and to create a community where all children thrive.