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Honorable Board of Supervisors 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 200 Nevada City, CA 95959

Re: Fund 1146 - Alcohol Education Program

The Nevada County Public Health Department's Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program has partnered with the Coalition for Nevada County Youth (previously Coalition for a Drug-Free Nevada County) and Nevada County school districts to implement a number of youth development programs in local high schools and middle schools. The programs, including Athlete Committed, Friday Night Live/Club Live and other models, are comprehensive, evidence-based prevention and intervention programs for students, student athletes, parents, coaches and school staff.

Activities funded by Fund 1146 require approval by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors and the Nevada County Office of Education. It is proposed that Fund 1146 Alcohol Education Program funds be used to support the countywide implementation of youth development programs, including but not limited to Friday Night Live/Club Live and Athlete Committed, through Federal Fiscal Year 2019/20, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

Proposed costs to be covered with these funds include, but are not limited to: leadership training for students and advisors (including transportation); printing of materials; student leadership T-shirts; club expenses; and other expenses to support education around and prevention of youth use of alcohol.

The potential impacts of the program are significant. By providing alternatives to alcohol and other drug use through evidence-based youth development programs, we can improve student health, shift school culture and spirit, and create strong connections between adults, schools and their students. All of these outcomes improve protective factors and will have a lasting impact on the lives of young people in our county.

I support the use of Fund 1146 as outlined above.

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Nevada County Superintendent of Schools

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