RESOLUTION No._____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY IN NEVADA COUNTY DUE TO THE POTENTIAL INTRODUCTION OF COVID-19

WHEREAS, the origination of the novel COVID-19 ("Coronavirus") in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019, consisting of tens of thousands of cases in China that are reportedly being spread person-to-person and also being reported in a growing number of countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, the reported number of COVID-19 cases has escalated dramatically over a short period of time, resulting in the World Health Organization (WHO) declaring on January 20, 2020 that the outbreak constitutes a "public health emergency of international concern;" and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the Nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDD) has determined that COVID-19 presents a serious public health threat; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 cases are being reported in California, including the neighboring County of Placer; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Health Officer for the County of Nevada issued a Declaration of Local Health Emergency for the County of Nevada, State of California, declaring that the potential introduction of COVID-19 in Nevada County is a threat to the public health within the County of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101080, the Nevada County Health Officer's Declaration of Local Health Emergency shall remain in effect for no longer than seven (7) days unless it has been ratified by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that potential introduction of COVID-19 within the County of Nevada as described in the Nevada County Health Officer's Declaration of a Local Health Emergency does support and justify the Health Officer's Declaration of Local Health Emergency, as set forth therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California hereby ratifies the Nevada County Health Officer's Declaration of a Local Health Emergency, as attached hereto and incorporated herein, effectively immediately upon adoption of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Declaration of a Local Emergency shall be renewed and deemed to continue to exist as provided by state law or until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Nevada County Health Officer or his designee immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution to Governor of the State of California.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governor of the State of California is requested to:

1. Include the County of Nevada in any emergency declaration that may be issued by the President of the United States of America;

2. Waive regulations that may hinder response, treatment, and recovery efforts;

3. Make available California Disaster Assistance Act and State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program funding.