



RESOLUTION NO. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR NEVADA COUNTY'S NOVEL CORONAVIRUS REOPENING READINESS PLAN, AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE LETTER, AS A NECESSARY STEP TO SAFE, PHASED REOPENING

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020 the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a state of emergency in response to the unprecedented Novel Coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 the State Health Officer issued a shelter-in-place order, which ordered Californians to shelter in their place of residence except for essential business; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020 the Governor announced a roadmap to reopening that envisioned four phases, the first being the full shelter in place order, followed by the opening of low-risk businesses with modifications, the opening of high-risk businesses with modifications, and finally the full release of the shelter in place order; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2020 the State amended the shelter-in-place order to commence Phase 2 of the reopening roadmap on May 8, 2020, allowing certain low-risk business activities to commence with modifications, including things like curb-side retail. The modification also established a process for counties with low prevalence and adequate containment measures to accelerate through Stage 2 of the re-opening; and

WHEREAS, in Nevada County cases increased rapidly in late March 2020, and subsequently due to the sacrifice and diligence of the community, the hard work of medical professionals, local jurisdictions and of County staff, the increase in cases has slowed, and the epidemiological curve has "flattened;" and

WHEREAS, Nevada County meets all the readiness criteria established by the State, and stands ready to accelerate through Phase 2 reopening not because Novel Coronavirus is no longer a threat, but rather because prevalence in the community, containment measures and the diligence of the community allow that reopening to occur safely; and

WHEREAS, Public Health Officer Dr. Ken Cutler has prepared a Reopening Readiness Plan and Attestation, has reviewed them with the State Health Officer, and has received concurrence from the Medical Community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the chair of the board of supervisors be and hereby is authorized to sign the letter of approval in substantially the form attached hereto.