



# **RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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

### **RESOLUTION HONORING ROTARY FOR ITS WORK TO ERADICATE POLIO AND PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 24, 2021 AS WORLD POLIO DAY IN NEVADA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Rotary is a global and national network of neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who unite and take action to create lasting change in communities across the globe; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto, Service Above Self, inspires members to provide humanitarian service, follow high ethical standards, and promote goodwill and peace; and

WHEREAS, Rotary launched the polio eradication effort through PolioPlus in 1985 and spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Rotary partnered with the World Health Organization, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, Rotary has contributed countless volunteer hours to the protection of more than 3 billion children in 122 countries; and

WHEREAS, Rotary has raised and contributed billions of dollars with the help of grants such as the challenge grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Rotary's commitment to the eradication of polio has helped reduce the number of cases by 99% with decades of experience in supporting the distribution of polio vaccines as well as highlighting their power and efficacy, which is a critical reason why polio is on the brink of eradication; and

WHEREAS, these efforts are providing much-needed operational support, medical staff, laboratory equipment, and educational materials for health workers and parents; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

WHEREAS, our local Rotary Clubs including but not limited to Grass Valley Rotary Club, Grass Valley South Rotary Club, Nevada City Rotary Club, Nevada City 49ers, Penn Valley Rotary Club, Rotary Club of Truckee, and Truckee Sunrise Rotary Club support this Proclamation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, California, hereby honor Rotary for its work to eradicate polio and proclaim October 24, 2021 as World Polio Day in Nevada County.

BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors encourages all citizens to join and support efforts to fight for a polio-free world.