RESOLUTION 01-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT IN APPRECIATION OF TUOLUMNE COUNTY FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND FIRE/EMERGENCY SERVICES PROVIDED BY GCSD TO THE SOUTH COUNTY COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, in 2019 County staff supported and in 2023 the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved allocating to the Groveland Community Services District (District) \$3.2 million in Community Development Block Grant funding to provide for the installation of a water main to allow the District to deliver water supply at adequate pressure and provide for functioning fire hydrants for the first time ever in the community of Big Oak Flat; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the County staff recommended, and the Board of Supervisors unanimously supported a \$______ funding passthrough to the District from a state allocation intended for investments to offset the negative impacts of PG&E Public Safety Power Shutdown (PSPS), which funded the installation of a backup power generator to provide adequate water to the County airport and surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 the County staff recommended and the Board of Supervisors unanimously supported an agreement with the District, funding a Tuolumne County Fire Department engine and crew to be collocated in the District's Groveland Station 78, which provided a staffed engine dedicated as a first responder to emergency calls outside the District boundaries and providing a staffing level adequate to meet District emergency response time standards and doubling the effectiveness of our response in fighting fires; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the critical importance of securing funding for the future of its fire and emergency response services, and in 2023 began pursuing the creation and implementation of a Community Facilities District to offset growth impacts and provide a long term, secure source of funding for fire services; to build and improve fire stations, replace critical fire equipment and add fire staffing as our communities grow; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 County staff recommended and the Board of Supervisors supported including independent special district water suppliers on the Natural Resources Committee and funding for County staff to ensure the future of adequate water supply to support the people and economies of the County; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 County staff took the lead and is spearheading, facilitating and assisting other agencies in the development of important plans and strategies including Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan to keep our communities safe and avoid property and public infrastructure damage; Standards of Coverage Evaluation to effectively plan the future of fire protection services, and drought contingency planning to protect public health.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DOES hereby extend the appreciation of the community through this Board of Directors to the County of Tuolumne Staff and Board of Supervisors for their Support of the Infrastructure and Fire/Emergency Services Provided by GCSD to the South County Communities.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution is passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District on January 9, 2024, by the following vote:

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AYES: Directors Mora, Kwiatkowski, Edwards, and Swan

NOES: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Director Armstrong

APPROVE:

ATTEST

Nancy Mora, Board Presiden

Rachel Pearlman, Board secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Rachel Pearlman, the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, do hereby declare that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, duly called and held on January 9, 2024. DATED: 1.9.3634