BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRUCKEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 01-2024

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRUCKEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ASKING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISIORS OF PLACER COUNTY TO PLACE AN IMMEDIATE MORATORIUM ON BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENT IN THE AREA DESIGNATED AS ANNEXATION NO. 7 - TRUCKEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT DUE TO INADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION FUNDING.

WHEREAS, the Truckee Fire Protection District provides fire protection services throughout the Fire District boundaries; and

WHEREAS, base funding for fire protection services comes from property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Truckee Fire Protection District Board of Directors approved Annexation No. 7 with the condition that improvements shall be subject to taxation that would be used in part to pay Truckee Fire Protection District for fire protection services; and

WHEREAS, the Truckee Fire Protection District provided "Will-Serve" letters for improvements in Annexation No. 7 based on assurances from Placer County that fire protection services would be adequately funded; and

WHEREAS, the Placer County General Plan, a legal document that serves as the community's "constitution" for land use and development, and the Martis Valley Community Plan both include policy requirements stating, "The County shall require new development to fund fire protection facilities, personnel, and operations and maintenance ...", and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Impact Report for the Martis Valley Community Plan, approved by the Placer County Board of Supervisors, directed that the policies, implementation programs and mitigation measures of the Martis Valley Community Plan be adopted and implemented in order to move development impacts to fire protection services from "significant" to "less-than-significant", and

WHEREAS, Placer County has permitted improvement of Annexation No. 7 without providing adequate fire protection funding despite numerous requests for adequate funding by the Truckee Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 adds demand for fire protection services; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding puts the community at increased risk for loss of life, property, and environment; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding impacts resource deployment including the recruiting and retention of properly trained, qualified, and equipped firefighters; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding impacts the ability of the Truckee Fire Protection District to maintain resilient essential service facilities and a resilient fleet of fire suppression apparatus; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding impacts the ability of the Truckee Fire Protection District to provide adequate and essential fire prevention services; and

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WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 increases use of critical infrastructure that serves the improvements in Annexation No. 7 and which increases demand for fire protection services; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding impacts insurance rates and insurability throughout the Fire District boundaries; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding impacts local control of fire protection services which is the central tenant of the Fire Protection District Act of 1987 under which the Truckee Fire Protection District was created and operates; and

WHEREAS, permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding has been occurring for decades, thereby compounding the impacts stated hereinabove and further impacting the level of fire protection service that the Truckee Fire Protection District is able to deliver; and

WHEREAS, continued permitted improvement in Annexation No. 7 without adequate fire protection funding exacerbates the impacts and must stop immediately until a full and complete resolution is reached;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Truckee Fire Protection District:

- 1. Requests that the Board of Supervisors of Placer County place an immediate moratorium on building and improvement in the area designated as Annexation No. 7 Truckee Fire Protection District; and
- 2. The moratorium on building and improvement in the area designated as Annexation No. 7 Truckee Fire Protection District shall remain in effect until a full and complete resolution for adequate fire protection funding is agreed to by and between the Truckee Fire Protection District and Placer County.

Approved and adopted the 16th day of January, 2024. I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution, number 01-2024 was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote on January 16th, 2024;

AYES:	NOES:	
	ABSENT:	
	ABSTAIN:	
ATTESTED BY:	Monica J. Skov, Clerk to the Board	

DATED: January 16, 2024