RESOLUTION – Authorizing the Grant of Public Monies to a Government Entity

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes or to a governmental entity to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County upon the recommendation of Commissioner Masha Berkbigler for District 1, has determined that $8,800 will be granted to the Washoe County Office of the Manager to support various arts and cultural programming throughout Washoe County; and

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Office of the Manager is multi-functional department within Washoe County that supports the County’s mission to work regionally to provide and sustain a safe, secure, and healthy community; and

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Office of the Manager currently supports the arts through the ArTrail Project. The ArTrail draws urban residents out of cities to experience and participate in the beauty and culture of the place we call home; and connect our rural residents to the economic, arts, and cultural features, organizations and individuals in our cities; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Berkbigler has expressed an interest in the County continuing to support art and cultural activities within Washoe County; and

WHEREAS, Supporting the arts leads to both economic development and quality of life in the region now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Washoe County Office of the Manager funds to support arts and cultural programming, a grant for fiscal year 2019-2020 in the amount of $8,800.
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the residents in Washoe County by providing funding for the arts in unincorporated Washoe County.
3. The funds shall not be used to purchase of tickets to special events.

ADOPTED this 18th day of February, 2020.

ATTEST: Washoe County Commission Chair

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County Clerk