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## IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF SPARKS TOWNSHIP

COUNTY OF WASHOE, STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER OF COURT CLOSURE FOR THE JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2023-02**

Pursuant to NRS 4.157(c), which authorizes a chief justice of the peace to prescribe the hours of a justice court, the Chief Justice of the Peace of Sparks Township hereby enters this Administrative Order. This Administrative Order rescinds and supersedes Administrative Order 2022-05.

On June 17, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act, thereby declaring June 19<sup>th</sup> (Juneteenth) a National Holiday.

In February 2022, the Washoe County government announced that Juneteenth will be a paid holiday for all County employees and that most County offices will be closed in commemoration of Juneteenth.

On February 9, 2023, *Assembly Bill 140* (2023) was submitted to amend NRS 236.015(1) to read as follows:

1. The following days are declared to be legal holidays for state, county and city governmental offices:

January 1 (New Year's Day)

Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday is on January 15 but is to be observed on the third Monday in January

Washington's birthday is on February 22 but is to be observed on the third Monday in February Last Monday in May (Memorial Day)

## June 19 (Juneteenth Day)

July 4 (Independence Day)

First Monday in September (Labor Day)

Nevada Day is October 31 but is to be observed on the last Friday in October

November 11 (Veterans Day)

Fourth Thursday in November (Thanksgiving Day)

Friday following the fourth Thursday in November (Family Day)

December 25 (Christmas Day)

Any day that may be appointed by the President of the United States for public fast, thanksgiving or as a legal holiday except for any residential appointment of the fourth Monday in October as Veterans Day

Therefore, in anticipation of Juneteenth becoming a legal state holiday pursuant to *Assembly Bill 140* (2023), this Court will be closed on Monday, June 19, 2023. Thereafter, this Court will observe the Juneteenth holiday pursuant to NRS 236.015(2).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this day of April 2023.

Chief Judge Kevin Higgins
Justice of the Peace