RESOLUTION 54-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT APPROVING AN AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY FOR THE TUOLUMNE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Groveland Community Services District (herein referred to as District) is a local government agency formed and operating in accordance with Section §61000 et seq. of the California Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the more than 55,000 people living in Tuolumne County receive fire protection and emergency response services provided by multiple separate agencies and no single agency currently exists to coordinate those services or their funding; and

WHEREAS, the growing risk of wildfires in Tuolumne County does not respect jurisdictional boundaries and that risk needs immediate action and sustained commitment to better protect residents, homes, visitors and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the adequacy of fire suppression and prevention services and funding available to meet that risk also affects the cost of insurance which has added financial burden on residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, efforts are needed to provide adequate funding in the short term and potentially coordinate and provide fire prevention and suppression services over the long-term; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors is presented for its consideration and acceptance a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement authorizing the Groveland Community Services Districts participation in the Tuolumne County Fire Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT as follows:

- 1. Join the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement to create the Tuolumne County Fire Authority; and
- 2. Authorize the Board President, Janice Kwiatkowski of the Groveland Community Services District to sign the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement; and
- 3. Request that the Tuolumne County Fire Authority place a parcel tax measure on a ballot and call a special election to be scheduled for June 2021 for voter approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Groveland Community Services District on December 8, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Kwiatkowski, Mora, Swan, Armstrong, and Edwards

NOES:

ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Jenn fer L. Flores, Secretary

Janice Kwiatkowski, President - Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Jennifer Flores, 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 December 8, 2020.