BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION NO. 2018-156

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PROTOCOL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS TO THE LAKEPORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD

WHEREAS, the Lakeport Fire Protection District, an independent special district, was originally created in or about 1955; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing the Lakeport Fire Protection District to annex the City of Lakeport, an incorporated city, was adopted in 1999; and

WHEREAS, to the extent such an annexation resulted in the creation of a new board of directors for the Lakeport Fire Protection District, Health and Safety Code section 13837 provides that the district board for that District may be either elected or appointed by the county board of supervisors and the city councils in which the District is located; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code section 13837 further provides that if a fire protection district board is to be appointed, the board of supervisors and the city council or councils shall appoint directors to that board according to the proportionate share of the population of that portion of the county and each city within the district, provided that the board of supervisors and each city council shall appoint at least one director; and

WHEREAS, the determination of whether the directors of a fire protection district shall be elected or appointed is made by a fire protection district at the time of district formation and, the Lakeport Fire Protection District has not determined to change from an appointed board to an elected board as authorized by Health and Safety Code section 13848; and

WHEREAS, in a 2004 agreement executed by the Lakeport Fire Protection District and the City of Lakeport, those two entities agreed that the Board of Supervisors would appoint all the members of the Lakeport Fire Protection District Board as follows: Two persons residing within the city limits of Lakeport would be nominated by the city; Two members residing in the unincorporated area of the District would be appointed by the Board of Supervisors, and a fifth member would be nominated by the four District Board members; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to establish a protocol for appointment of

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the board members of the Lakeport Fire Protection District which is consistent with the mandates of state law while still compatible with the desires of the City of Lakeport and the Lakeport Fire Protection District as expressed in the above-referenced 2004 agreement between those two parties.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, County of Lake, State of California, that it finds, determines and hereby declares that:

- 1. That the Recitals hereinabove are adopted as true and correct.
- 2. That the protocols adopted by this Resolution shall not take effect unless and until the City Council for the City of Lakeport agrees to the appointment of directors to the Lake County Fire Protection District by the Board of Supervisors and by the Lakeport City Council according to the proportionate share described hereinbelow.
- 3. That the Lake County Board of Supervisors shall appoint three (3) members to a five (5) member board of directors for the Lakeport Fire Protection District and the remaining two (2) members shall be appointed by the City Council for the City of Lakeport. Any thenexisting board of directors for the Lakeport Fire Protection District may make recommendations for member appointments to either or both the County Board of Supervisors and/or the Lakeport City Council. Said recommendations shall be considered by the Lake County Board of Supervisors in makings its appointments, but shall not be determinative. The appointments to be made by the County and the City have been determined according to each entity's proportionate share of population with the Lakeport Fire Protection District based upon the 2010 census and redistricting data presently available. When updated census data or other reliable population information becomes available in the future, each entity's proportionate share of population may change; in such case, the County and the City shall meet and confer in good faith to determine whether such change necessitates a change in the proportionate number of appointments to be made by each entity,
- 4. That the appointments of three (3) of the five (5) Lakeport Fire Protection District board

members by the Board of Supervisors shall follow the standard practice of the County to advertise and seek applications from interested members of the public who are eligible to serve.

- 5. That, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 13841, each member of the Lakeport Fire Protection District board shall be a resident of the District.
- 6. That, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 13843, the term of office of each member of the Lakeport Fire Protection District board shall be four (4) years and the terms shall be staggered. Initially, appointments shall be made as follows: There will be two vacancies on the District Board as of January 1, 2019, one of which will be filled by an appointment made by the County and one of which will be filled by an appointment made by the City. The remaining three District Board members shall continue on the District Board until January 1, 2020, at which time their terms shall expire. The County shall then appoint two District Board members and the City shall then appoint one District Board member to begin service at that time. Recommendations may be made by the District Board for any and all of the appointments to be made both initially and as to future terms.

THIS RESOLUTION was passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake at a regular meeting thereof on the 20th day of November, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Simon, Smith, Scott, Brown and Steele

NOES: None

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

CHAIR, Board of Supervisors

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ATTEST: Carol J. Huchingson

Clerk to the Board

By: Why

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Anita L. Grant

County Counsel

By: