

1 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. _____**

3 **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COUNTY LAW LIBRARIANS' REQUEST FOR FUNDING IN THE**
4 **GOVERNOR'S 2018 PROPOSED BUDGET AND IN SUCCESSIVE STATE BUDGETS**

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6 WHEREAS, County Law Libraries provide an important public service for all California residents
7 by making materials and legally trained staff available to all citizens; and

8 WHEREAS, more than 80% of litigants in matters of eviction, foreclosure, child custody and
9 support proceedings and debt collection cases are without benefit of paid counsel; and

10 WHEREAS, County Law Libraries provide access to legal resources available to all self-
11 represented litigants in California, and are an important justice resource in California; and

12 WHEREAS, County Law Libraries' funding comes almost exclusively from civil court filing fees;
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14 WHEREAS, fee waivers and exemptions, reductions in the number of court filings, increases to
15 small claims court jurisdictional limits, alternative dispute resolution methods and other factors have
16 negatively impacted funding for County Law Libraries; and

17 WHEREAS, the funding for County Law Libraries has decreased nearly 40% below the amount
18 received in 2009; and

19 WHEREAS, the Council of California Law Librarians has requested from the State of California
20 a \$16.5 million budget allocation for County Law Libraries as an ongoing budget allocation to restore to
21 County Law Libraries the funding that they received from court filing fee income in base year 2009,
22 which the Board of Supervisors has been informed is reasonable and prudent, and without excess.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board of Supervisors hereby
24 supports the Council of California Law Librarians' request to supplement County Law Library budgets to
25 2009 levels through an ongoing allocation, included in the Budget of the State of California.

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THIS RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake
at a regular meeting thereof on the _____ day of _____, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

ATTEST: CAROL J. HUCHINGSON

COUNTY OF LAKE

Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

By: _____

Deputy

Chair, Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANITA L. GRANT

County Counsel

