

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE CALIFORNIA CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
TO REJOIN ALL OF LAKE COUNTY WITH NEIGHBORING CONTIGUOUS COUNTIES NAPA AND SONOMA
WITHIN THE SAME UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, as a result of the passage of Proposition 20 by California voters in 2010, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission is responsible to establish new Congressional District boundaries based on information gathered through the decennial Census; and

WHEREAS, Lake County was split into two Congressional Districts after the 2010 Census, with Lakeport, Kelseyville and the southern part of the County included in the 5th Congressional District with portions of Napa and Sonoma Counties; and Clearlake and the northern part of the County included in the 3rd Congressional District with all or portions of Colusa, Glenn, Solano, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba Counties; and

WHEREAS, Lake County shares many interests with Napa and Sonoma Counties, including the winegrape, geothermal and tourism industries, and regional watersheds and water rights; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of our workforce that travels out of county is employed in Napa and Sonoma County commuting towards the south and west versus those who commute to the east; and

WHEREAS, both our State Senate and Assembly Districts incorporate all of Lake County as one unit and include all or portions of both Napa and Sonoma County;

WHEREAS, these points of common interest provide strong ties both within Lake County and with our southern neighboring counties, and long-term relationships among our three counties, making common, effective, and fair representation and advocacy in a shared Congressional District with the entirety of Lake County truly critical; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate the difficult job the Redistricting Commission has in trying to balance competing interests in drawing District lines, and keeping Lake, Napa and Sonoma Counties together is geographically sensible, and conforms with the Redistricting Commission's non-partisan rules to create Districts of relatively equal population, providing fair representation for all Californians; and

WHEREAS, we, the members of the Lake County Board of Supervisors, therefore find the residents of Lake County will be best served by being in the same Congressional District, with the contiguous counties of Napa and Sonoma.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Lake County Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake, State of California, strongly urges the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to rejoin all of Lake County with our neighboring contiguous counties Napa and Sonoma within the same United States Congressional District, and to keep all of Lake County within our current State Senator and Assembly Districts, to provide the most logical, efficient and effective representation possible.