RESOLUTION – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational Purposes

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that $25,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to support a month-long summer arts festival, and encourage local artist participation in the festival; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Artown, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for summer 2018 in the amount of $25,000 (Community Support).

2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing a month-long summer arts festival, featuring about 500 in nearly 100 locations.

3. The conditions and limitations upon the grant are as follows:

   a) Event must be held for the purpose of improving public awareness, education and/or support for a specific community issue, topic, or concern. Including, but not limited to topics related to community, economic diversification, culture, the arts, the environment, and health and human service issues.

   b) Event must be open to public participation without limiting participation to a specific target population.

   c) Event must be annual or one-time events not on-going activities.

d) Events for which the primary purpose is to raise funds to support programs or operation of the non-profit are not allowable.

e) Any organization participating in partisan activity in the judgement of County Staff or the Commission, is not allowable.

Adopted this 19th Day of June 2018

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Marsha Berkbigler, Chair
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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County Clerk