AGENDA ITEM NO. 5A

Public Health

Serving Reno, Sparks & Washoe County **Proclamation**

WHEREAS, poor air quality can threaten the health of our citizens and visitors; and,

WHEREAS, the increasing intensity, duration, and scale of wildfires has negatively impacted air quality in the western United States; and,

WHEREAS, children, older adults, and people with heart or lung disease tend to be more vulnerable to air pollution; and,

WHEREAS, the Northern Nevada Public Health, Air Quality Management Division (AQMD) is responsible for managing sources of air pollution and assuring compliance with federal, state, and local laws governing air quality; and,

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Air Quality Trends Report, which contains information such as National Ambient Air Quality Standards, Local Ambient Air Monitoring Network, and Current Air Quality Design Values and Attainment Status, is available at OurCleanAir.com; and,

WHEREAS, AQMD implements clean air solutions that protect the quality of life for the citizens of Washoe County through community partnerships, air monitoring, permitting and enforcement, planning, and public education; and,

WHEREAS, clean air will require a collaborative effort by all stakeholders in the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the District Board of Health does hereby proclaim the week of May 6-10, 2024, to be:

"WASHOE COUNTY AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK"

in Washoe County, Nevada and encourages community action to reduce air pollution levels during this week and throughout the year.

ADOPTED this 25th day of April 2024

Kristopher Dahir, Chair District Board of Health