

RESOLUTION NO. 82-2011

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

**As a Formal Request to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to
Keep Lake Tahoe and the Counties of El Dorado and Placer
Within the Same State Senate, Assembly and Board of Equalization Districts**

WHEREAS, every ten years, upon the completion of the federal census, California must evaluate the boundaries of its Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly, and State Board of Equalization Districts and then determine new boundaries to create districts that are as equal in population as nearly as is practical; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of voter approved State of California Ballot Propositions 11 and 20, a 14-member California Citizens Redistricting Commission ("Commission"), guided by the U.S. Constitution, the Federal Voting Rights Act, and the California Constitution, will draw the district maps for California's 53 Congressional Districts; 40 State Senate Districts; 80 State Assembly Districts; and 4 Board of Equalization Districts that respect counties, cities and communities of interest; and,

WHEREAS, the Counties of El Dorado and Placer share geographical, recreational and historical characteristics, with the residents and communities throughout these two Counties sharing numerous demographic characteristics, including ethnic composition, levels of attained education, and per capita and median household income; and,

WHEREAS, the California side of Lake Tahoe, the "Crown Jewel" of the Sierra Nevada, is located between the two California Counties of El Dorado and Placer; and,

WHEREAS, the primary California routes to Lake Tahoe are Highway 50 through El Dorado County, Highway 80 through Placer County, and the world famous Rubicon Trail which travels through both Counties; and,

WHEREAS, the history for El Dorado and Placer Counties began with the discovery of gold in 1848 and continued with the resulting Gold Rush that brought an influx of pioneers through passes to the north and south of the Tahoe Basin as they traveled to the mining settlements that have since developed into the ranching, farming, timber and recreation based communities that now define these two Counties; and,

WHEREAS, in 1969 the United States Congress ratified a bi-state compact approved by the governors and legislators in California and Nevada that created the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, a regional planning agency to oversee development at Lake Tahoe that is governed by a Board that, per the Compact, includes an appointee from each of the Counties of El Dorado and Placer and the City of South Lake Tahoe; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to the government, economic, historic, recreational, and historic bonds that the Counties of El Dorado and Placer have to Lake Tahoe, these counties and their residents are invested in the environmentally rich region that surrounds the North and South Shores of Lake Tahoe and the value of the significant research data that it provides to those throughout the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado requests that the California Citizens Redistricting Commission keep Lake Tahoe within the same State Senate, Assembly and Board of Equalization Districts that include the Counties of El Dorado and Placer as Lake Tahoe is located within these Counties, and it is in the best interest of the Lake Tahoe Region to be represented by the elected officials who understand and represent the unique characteristics of the Counties where it is located.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a special meeting of said Board, held the 9th day of June, 2011, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest:
Suzanne Allen de Sanchez
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:

By: _____
Deputy Clerk
Raymond J. Nutting, Chair
Board of Supervisors

I CERTIFY THAT:
THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT IS A CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE.

Attest: Suzanne Allen de Sanchez, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, State of California.

By: _____ Date: _____
Deputy Clerk