



Proclamation
of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado
Recognizing the 60th Anniversary of
Sugarloaf Fine Arts Camp

WHEREAS, in 1959, the first El Dorado County fine arts camp was held in South Lake Tahoe, California and was administered through the El Dorado County Office of Education (EDCOE) under the direction of Blaine Wishart, the El Dorado County Superintendent of Schools. The camp was initially called the El Dorado Summer School Camp. For the first camp, two El Dorado County teachers, Don Gerhauser and John Pratt, took 60 campers to a school in South Lake Tahoe.

WHEREAS, camp has been called Sugarloaf Station Music and Art Camp, and then later Sugarloaf MAD (Music, Art and Drama) Camp, each name change reflecting an expansion of the programs being offered. As the camp continued to diversify its program offerings, its current name, Sugarloaf Fine Arts Camp, was eventually adopted.

WHEREAS, during the past 60 years, over 15,000 youth have attended camp to learn music, art, drama, dance, photography, textile arts and much more. The focus has been on learning the creative arts in a cooperative, kind, respectful, fun, imaginative and inspiring environment.

WHEREAS, Sugarloaf Fine Arts Camp has been held in multiple locations: South Lake Tahoe, Sonora, Sugarloaf Station (a property provided by Clara and Bob Neilsen), White Meadows, and most recently at the Sly Park Outdoor Education site in Pollock Pines. No matter the location, camp has been infused with what is fondly called the Sugarloaf Spirit.

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does hereby extend their congratulations and best wishes to **Sugarloaf Fine Arts Camp**, a program of **El Dorado County Office of Education** on their 60th Anniversary and joins our community in thanking your organization and all of the staff, volunteers and community organizations that help make camp possible each year. We proudly recognize this very important service to the youth of El Dorado County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 16th day of July, 2019.

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
by:

Deputy Clerk

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