

## **Proclamation** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

## Recognizing the Month of May, 2014 as Lake Tahoe Wildfire Awareness Month

Whereas, wildfire significantly impacts Lake Tahoe's environmental, economic and social well-being; and,

Whereas, residents of Lake Tahoe's fire-prone communities can significantly reduce the risk of a wildfire threat to their home by taking the responsibility to create defensible space and preparing their homes to resist wildfire ignitions; and,

Whereas, residents must be encouraged to move from the expectation of being protected from wildfire to the understanding that they must be prepared to survive wildfire; and,

Whereas, to do so, they will need to take action, educate themselves, get organize, have a plan, and prepare their homes to survive wildfire; and,

Whereas, the erosion of sediment caused by the aftermath of a wildfire poses an environmental threat to the water quality of Lake Tahoe.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors recognizes the month of May, 2014, as Lake Tahoe Wildfire Awareness Month and this year's theme "Prepare Your Home for Wildfire" as a means for education and a call for residents of El Dorado County to take action to reduce the wildfire threat to their homes and help their community move toward becoming a Fire Adapted Community.

**Passed** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

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

Norma Santiago, Chair, Board of Supervisors