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Diane Ferrari, Division Chief
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Dear Chief Ferrari,

On behalf of the County of El Dorado, this letter is to confirm our support of the assignment of an Employment Development Department (EDD) Veterans' Services Representative to the Connections Resource Center (also known as America's Job Center of California) located in Placerville, on a part-time basis. The availability of an EDD Veterans' Services Representative in Placerville will provide greater accessibility to the valuable services available to our local veterans.

In August of 2013, the El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) staff met with Martha Escobedo, EDD Manager, regarding the possible assignment of a Veterans' Services Representative to the Placerville Connections Resource Center, one day per week. The space accommodations requested by Ms. Escobedo associated with the possible assignment in Placerville were approved by HHSA in October 2013. While EDD has not yet confirmed assignment of a Veterans' Services Representative to the Placerville Connections Resource Center, we would like to reaffirm our interest in moving forward with this effort.

Considering the clear direction provided by the federal Department of Labor requiring workforce programs to provide services to veterans and the need in our community for local veteran services, the County of El Dorado strongly encourages and supports EDD's reinstatement of a local presence through the on-going assignment of a part-time Veterans' Services Representative at the Connections Resource Center in Placerville. This assignment supports our goal of providing a wide range of essential services to veterans.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

Norma Santiago, Chair
District V Supervisor