DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY
CONCERNING THE BUG AND FRED MOUNTAIN FIRES NEAR COLD SPRINGS, RED ROCK, ANTELOPE VALLEY, HUNGRY VALLEY, AND SURROUNDING AREAS OF WASHOE COUNTY

August 10, 2026

WHEREAS, Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 414 and Washoe County Code (WCC) 65.320 authorize and declare the authority of the Washoe County Board of Commissioners to declare a state of emergency and authorize the Washoe County Manager to exercise the powers described therein including, but not limited to, the powers described in NRS 414.090 and WCC 65.330, in circumstances when any man-made or natural event or circumstance is causing or threatening loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering or financial loss to the extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Manager, pursuant to WCC 65.320, does hereby find that an emergency as defined in WCC 65.300(4) and NRS 241.020(12) exists in that man-made or natural events or circumstances including but not limited to fire, disruption of utility services, and other potential and related events in Washoe County, including in **COLD SPRINGS, RED ROCK, ANTELOPE VALLEY, HUNGRY VALLEY, AND SURROUNDING AREAS OF WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA at 6:00 p.m. on August 8, 2026** are causing or threatening loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering or financial loss to the extent that extraordinary and immediate measures must be taken to protect public health, safety, and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the County Manager has been requested by the Emergency Management Administrator of Washoe County to proclaim the existence of a local emergency therein;

WHEREAS, to the extent allowed by law, the County Manager finds that certain administrative functions require flexibility in staffing levels and assignments normally addressed in collective bargaining agreements and merit personnel systems;

NOW FOR THE REASONS RECITED HEREIN, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS in **COLD SPRINGS, RED ROCK, ANTELOPE VALLEY, HUNGRY VALLEY, AND SURROUNDING AREAS OF WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA at 6:00 p.m. on August 8, 2026.**

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that during the existence of said local state of emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the County Manager, Emergency

Management Administrator, and the Emergency Services System of this County shall be those prescribed by State Law, by Ordinances and Resolutions of this County, and by the County of Washoe emergency plans.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist unless the Board of County Commissioners, at its next lawful meeting, fails to ratify the declaration, or sooner if the County Manager or Board of County Commissioners determines the state of emergency no longer exists or the threat of an emergency has passed, and the County Manager or the Board of Commissioners terminates the state of emergency.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this declaration is forwarded to the Nevada Director of the Division of Emergency Management.

DATED: August 10, 2026

County Manager, Washoe County, Nevada

ATTEST:

County Clerk