## TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2022–

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FORMER GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER MARK BRUCE, NEVADA GOVERNOR APPOINTEE, FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE LAKE TAHOE REGION

WHEREAS, Mark Bruce is a dedicated humanitarian with a passion for service, philanthropy, and connecting people to one another in ways that improve the earth and our human relationships to the earth and other people; and

WHEREAS, Mark served as the Nevada Governor's appointee to the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Board under two Nevada Governors and has served the Agency and Governing Board with commitment and distinction for nearly a decade, including his leadership roles as Vice Chair from 2018 to 2020 and Chair from January 2021-July 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mark brought to TRPA his extensive knowledge and experience in land use, business and other aspects of the law, having served as an attorney for the City of Reno, a partner with Bruce and Trachok, and founder of the Bruce Law Group; and

WHEREAS, Mark's philanthropic efforts focus on the environment, at-risk youth, education and social justice and in his dedication to service, philanthropy, and connection has been a long-standing advocate for improving communities and the environment by serving in numerous capacities including as a Director for the Reno-Tahoe Blues Festival, Board Member for Washoe Legal Services, member of the Chairman's Circle of the American Cancer Society, a Director for the Children's Cabinet Foundation, the Co-Chair of the Moonridge Foundation Philanthropy Leaders Summit, Nevada's premier annual philanthropic conference, as both a Trustee and Fellow for the Desert Research Institute Research Foundation, and trustee to Educational Pathways International, which supports college and postgraduate education for economically disadvantaged youth in Ghana, among others; and

WHEREAS, among the many ways he demonstrated his commitment to promoting and inspiring sustainability was arranging for the TRPA Governing Board and staff a Tesla corporate presentation about the transition to renewable energy and a tour of the first electric vehicle Gigafactory; and

WHEREAS, Mark served as Co-Chair of the US 50 Main Street Management Plan Stakeholder Working Group, approved by the TRPA Governing Board in November 2020, which recommended an implementation plan for street design, wayfinding recommendations, transit strategies, and pedestrian, bicycle, vehicle, and service access from the segment of US 50 from Lake Parkway to Pioneer advancing the vision for the South Shore from its historic casino focus to instead a bikeable, walkable tourist core connecting mountain amenities to the Lake and nearby community; and

WHEREAS, both the Governing Board and staff will sorely miss Mark's calm demeanor, ability to always see the positive side of any circumstance, his authentic kindness, impeccable integrity, and talent for connecting people, including experts around the world, to TRPA's mission and operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency does hereby express its sincere thanks and gratitude to Mark F. Bruce for his many years of service to the Lake Tahoe Region, and wishes him all the best in his future adventures.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, by the following vote:

Ayes: Nays: Absent:

> Cindy Gustafson, Chair Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board