ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 03

A RESOLUTION EXPLAINING THE ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUPPORT FOR 1A SALES TAX RENEWAL

WHEREAS, the Estes Valley Fire Protection District ("District") has a history of significant wildfire threats; and

WHEREAS, the District has a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) which concludes that the, "...District is at high risk for large, high-severity wildfires due to dense forest conditions, dry and hot weather, and strong, gusty winds."; and

WHEREAS, the District CWPP also states, "Increasing drought and warming temperatures exacerbate wildfire risk in the area."; and

WHEREAS, the District CWPP concludes, "The Estes Valley Fire Protection District and residents in the EVFPD must prepare for large wildfire events. Proactive work is imperative."; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted Resolution 2023-02 explaining the District's Commitment to Wildfire Risk Reduction; and

WHEREAS, the proposed allocation of funds from the 1A sales tax includes 9% for wildfire mitigation work to be performed by the District within District boundaries; and

WHEREAS, wildfires pose a potential negative impact on life; and

WHEREAS, wildfires pose a potential negative impact on property; and

WHEREAS, wildfires pose a potential negative impact on our community's economy;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the District ("Board") as follows:

- 1. <u>Commitment.</u> The Board commits it's support to the Town of Estes Park 1% Sales Tax Renewal.
- 2. <u>Severability</u>. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.
- 3. <u>Effective Date.</u> This resolution shall take effect and be enforced immediately upon its approval by the Board.

ADOPTED this 28th day of February, 2024

ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD

By Ogen

Rvan Bross, President

Attest:

Brian Tseng, Vice-President

David Hamrick, Secretary

Jonathan Hodde, At Large