

1 **NYE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08**

2 **A RESOLUTION OPPOSING BLM'S ROUND-UP OF WILD HORSES AND BURROS BY**
3 **HELICOPTER IN NYE COUNTY, NEVADA**

4 WHEREAS, on November 25, 2019 President Trump signed into law the bipartisan Preventing
5 Animal Cruelty and Torture (PACT) Act, making it federally illegal to engage in cruelty to animals
6 meaning those found guilty of violating the act could be federally prosecuted, fined and jailed, for up to
7 seven years; and

8 WHEREAS, President Trump stated, "It is important that we combat these heinous and sadistic
9 acts of cruelty, which are totally unacceptable in a civilized society; and

10 WHEREAS, Laura Leigh, founder of "Wild Horse Education" has documented the inhumane
11 round-ups of both our Wild Horses and Burros perpetrated by the BLM's use of Helicopters which
12 causes many casualties, along with the heinous and sadistic dismembering and miscarriages, and the
13 deaths of many of these animals (especially foals); and

14 WHEREAS, the BLM may adopt a more humane and safe means to round-up the Wild Horses
15 and Burros such as by feed trapping; and

16 WHEREAS, in order to up-hold the criteria for maintaining a thriving ecological balance with
17 multiple uses authorized under the 1971 Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act and the Federal
18 Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 promoted and established by Velma Johnson (Wild Horse
19 Annie); and

20 WHEREAS, hundreds of registered Voters of Nye County signed and submitted a petition in
21 2012 to Nye County Board of Commissioners to put a question on the voters ballot to stop all the BLM
22 Round-up of our Wild Horses and Burros in Nye County and that was rejected by that Board; and

23 NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the present Nye County Board of
24 Commissioners declares that it does not support the BLM's present Helicopter method of rounding-up
25 our Wild Horses and Burros any longer within the borders of Nye County, Nevada.

1 APPROVED this 16th day of June, 2020.

2 NYE COUNTY
3 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

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5 John Koenig, Chairman

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8 ATTEST:

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10 Sandra L. Merlino, Nye County Clerk

11 And Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board