RESOLUTION NO. 21-29

OF

TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT DECLARATION OF DROUGHT RESPONSE STANDARDS STAGE 2 – SIGNIFICANT WATER SHORTAGE

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-10-21 expanding on the state's drought emergency proclamation and calling on all Californians to voluntarily reduce water usage by 15 percent as compared to 2020 use; and,

WHEREAS, the voluntary reduction request applies to residential, industrial, commercial, agricultural and institutional water users; and,

WHEREAS, District Ordinance 291 - Water Conservation and Drought Response Standards establishes drought response stages and measures to ensure that the water resources available to the District are put to the maximum beneficial use, that unreasonable use or unreasonable method of use is prevented, and that conservation of water is accomplished in the interest of District customers and for the health, safety, and welfare of the public; and,

WHEREAS, water use has steadily increased since 2015 after the State last mandated emergency drought measures and the District last adopted Stage 2 mandatory water conservation requirements; and

WHEREAS, the District is currently on track to exceed water production numbers from 2014; and

WHEREAS, the District is experiencing an eight percent increase year-to-date in the District's water production as compared to year-to-date 2020 and, simultaneously experiencing a drop in typical water operating levels of certain District wells; and,

WHEREAS, to stay ahead of and prepare for potential state mandates to conserve water beyond the voluntary 15 percent reduction, Staff is recommending an initial mandatory reduction of 15 percent of overall water consumption as compared to 2020 usage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The above stated recitals are true and correct.
- 2. The Board of Directors approves of the Declaration of Drought Response Standards Stage 2 Significant Water Shortage; and,
- 3. Sets the mandatory water consumption reduction at 15 percent.

4. The Drought Response Standards Stage 2 – Significant Water Shortage, and mandatory water consumption reduction at 15 percent take effect on September 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the 20th day of August, 2021, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Tahoe City Public Utility District by the following vote:

AYES:

Friedman, Beals, Pang, Scoville

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Wilkins

TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

BY

Gail Scovine, Board President

ATTEST:

Terri Viehmann, District Clerk