

Washoe County, Nevada

~PROCLAMATION~

WHEREAS, Basin and Range Organics (BARO) was created on July 9, 2015, after the Nevada Ag Council decided to discontinue the Organics Program administered through the Nevada Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, BARO is a Nevada-based Organic Certification Agency for producers and handlers in Nevada in order to reduce costs incurred by out-of-state certification; and

WHEREAS, BARO strives to promote the production and consumption of accessible, healthy food while protecting the land, its resources, and the surrounding wildlife through conservation and biodiversity practices implemented by organic standards; and

WHEREAS, BARO earned a Certificate of Accreditation to offer certification services and grant organic certificates throughout Nevada in four areas: Crops, Wild Crops, Livestock and Handling Operations; and

WHEREAS, BARO desires to build an educational resource base for regional farmers, ranchers, handlers, and the overall community;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim support for

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and encourages all County residents to frequent local and Nevada businesses.

Dated this 15th day of March, 2016.

Kitty Jung, Chair
Washoe County Commission

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