

July 16, 2024

To: The Washoe County Board of County Commissioners

Re: Appointment of JoEllen Keil to the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to recommend JoEllen Keil for the position of Alternate At-Large member on the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board.

I have had the pleasure of working with JoEllen for the past 17 months through our collaboration on the Tours Committee and the Advisory Council of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR). JoEllen has served as Chair of the Tours Committee for the past two years and previously as Vice Chair for five years. Her ability to facilitate consensus in committee deliberations is impressive, and she always incorporates elements of environmental education and enjoyment into our tours.

JoEllen is a thoughtful program solver who works exceptionally well with others. She is dedicated to addressing the needs of seniors in our community, and as a senior herself, she brings a valuable perspective to this work. Her commitment to serving the senior community is evident, and I'm confident she will be a strong advocate for seniors on the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board.

Thank you for considering JoEllen Keil for this important role.

Sincerely,

Dolores Ward Cox, MS Executive Director, OLLI

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