

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING
THAT PROPERTY KNOWN AS

THE NORTH STAR HOUSE (FOOTE MANSION)

AS A LOCAL HISTORICAL LANDMARK

WHEREAS California government code Sections 37361 and 25373 enable city and county legislative bodies to provide for “the protection, enhancement, perpetuation, or use of places, sites, buildings, structures, works of art and other objects having a special character or special historical or aesthetic interest or value: (Section 25373) and

WHEREAS The purpose of this Resolution is to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare by providing for the identification, protection, enhancement, perpetuation, and use of improvements, buildings, structures, signs, objects, features, sites, places, districts, and areas within the County that reflect special elements of the County’s architectural, artistic, cultural, engineering, aesthetic, historical, political, social and other heritage, by allowing their designation as Local Historical Landmarks for the following reasons:

Safeguarding Nevada County’s heritage as embodied and reflected in the remaining buildings representing the North Star Mine and it’s influence on Nevada County’s economic and social history and

Encouraging public knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of Nevada County’s history as reflected in it’s mining heritage and

Fostering civic and neighborhood pride and a sense of identity based on the recognition and use of cultural resources by preserving a home designed for Arthur deWindt Foote, an important figure in the history of mines and mine engineering and his wife, Mary Hallock Foote, a noted, nationally published 19th century author and illustrator and

Preserving diverse and harmonious architectural styles and design innovations as represented by the North Star House, designed in 1905, by Julia Morgan, California’s first licensed woman architect, reflecting an important phase of Nevada County’s history and

Enhancing property values to increase economic and financial benefits to Nevada County and its inhabitants by preserving and promoting the homes and buildings representing the North Star Mine and

Protecting and enhancing Nevada County's attraction to tourists and visitors, thereby stimulating business and industry, by restoring and preserving one of Julia Morgan's earliest domestic commissions and

Identifying as early as possible and resolving conflicts between the preservation of cultural resources and alternative lands uses with the development of an Historical District consisting of the North Star House and its surrounding buildings and ruins in a section of Nevada County that will see future population growth..

WHEREAS The property known as The North Star House (also known as the Foote Mansion) and its surrounding outbuildings consisting of the Hague House, the foundations and ruins of the North Star Cottage, the North Star Mine Assay Office, the Gardener's Cottage, and the foundations of the North Star Mine Stamp Mill to the extent of approximately 30 surrounding acres of land is found to conform to the requirements as listed above for designation as a Local Historical Landmark and

WHEREAS ***** requests that this property, otherwise identified as *****, be designated as a Local Historical Landmark in accordance with the requirements of the California government code Section 37361 and 25373 and

WHEREAS Such designation of the property will afford for it the protections of State Law as provided by (but not limited to) the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Health and Safety Code, Division 13, Part 2.7, the State Historical Building code (SHBC) and

WHEREAS The statements listed above constitute evidence supporting these findings,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the Board of Supervisors for the County of Nevada hereby approved the designation of

The North Star House

as a local Historical Landmark subject to the findings and statues as listed above.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of June, 2000

by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Chairman

ATTEST:

_____, County Clerk

By _____
Deputy