## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FROM THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S FY 2012 "RACE TO THE TOP" GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Education makes federal grant funds available to local school districts through its "Race to the Top" Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, through its Race to the Top Grant Program, the U.S. Department of Education builds on the lessons learned from the State competitions conducted under the Race to Top Program, and supports bold, locally directed improvements in learning and teaching that will directly improve students' achievement and educators' effectiveness for students, and

WHEREAS, Race to the Top aims to create plans that will implement college- and career-ready standards, use data systems to guide learning and teaching, evaluate and support teachers and school leaders, and turn around their lowest-performing schools, and

WHEREAS, the Sparks City Council fully supports the goals of the Washoe County School District to improve educational outcomes and attainment for students in Washoe County, including the City of Sparks,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The City Council of the City of Sparks, Nevada, supports the Washoe County Schools District's FY 2012 application to the U.S. Department of Education's Race to the Top Grant Program.

Upon motion by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this \_\_<sup>th</sup> day of October by the following vote:

AYES:

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 2012.

Geno R. Martini Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Chester H. Adams City Attorney Linda K. Patterson City Clerk