

RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FROM THE
WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO
THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S
FY 2013 "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 significantly improve learning and teaching through personalization of strategies, tools, and supports for students and educators that are aligned with college and career ready standards, and

WHEREAS, Race to the Top will accelerate student achievement and deepen student learning by meeting the academic needs of each student by increasing the effectiveness of educators and expanding student access to the most effective educators while decreasing achievement gaps across student groups and increasing the rates at which students graduate from high school prepared for college and careers, 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 2013 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 ___th day of September by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____ ABSTAIN: _____

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2013.

Geno R. Martini
Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa Gardner
City Clerk