RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION OF THE SISKIYOU COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**PROPOSING A BOARD OF SUPERVISOR’S APPOINTED COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER POSITION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS FOR APPROVAL**

**AND FIXING A TIME FOR THE ELECTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors wishes to create a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position that supports an efficient approach to budgeting, accounting, financial forecasting, and fiscal planning while maintaining accountability; and

**WHEREAS**, the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors believes the creation of a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position will ensure that future candidates possess the same high levels of experience and education as the incumbent Auditor-Controller by allowing the County to expand the number of interested and qualified candidates and promote stability through prompt filling of vacancies by allowing recruitment from within the County and beyond, and allow implementation of performance standards and evaluations to hold the Board-appointed Auditor-Controller accountable;

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors as follows:

 **Section 1. Authority.** This Resolution is adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 24009, et seq. The Siskiyou County Auditor-Controller is currently an elected position voted into office by the voters of Siskiyou County. California Government Code Section 24009(b) states, except for those officers named in subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XI of the California Constitution, any county office that is required to be elective may become an appointive office pursuant to the requirements of this subdivision. In order to change an office from elective to appointive, a proposal shall be presented to the voters of the county and approved by a majority of the votes cast on the proposition. A proposal shall be submitted to the voters by the county board of supervisors or it may be submitted to the voters pursuant to the qualification of an initiative petition. The position of Auditor-Controller is not named in subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XI of the California Constitution.

**Section 2. Title.** This Resolution may be cited as the “Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors’ Appointed County Auditor-Controller Ballot Measure Resolution of 2024.”

**Section 3. Proposal.** It is proposed by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors that a ballot measure to change the Siskiyou County Auditor-Controller position from an elected office to a County Board of Supervisors appointive office be submitted to the voters of the County of Siskiyou at the election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Such action is taken pursuant to California Government Code Section 24009(b) which requires the question of whether a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position shall be established must be submitted to the electors of the County; and if a majority of the voters voting on the question at such an election favor the establishment of a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position, the Board of Supervisors shall, ordinance, create the Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position effective beginning on January 4, 2027.

**Section 4. Independent Financial Oversight.** The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors does hereby find that if approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at such an election favor the establishment of a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position, the Board of Supervisors shall create independent financial oversight of the Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position by requiring an annual, independent audit of the Board-appointed Auditor-Controller Office’s internal controls to be conducted by a qualified outside auditor.

 **Section 5. Election Date.** The proposed question of whether a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position shall be established shall be submitted to the voters of the County of Siskiyou at the election to be included and consolidated with the election held on November 5, 2024. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the County Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form, and manner as required by law.

 **Section 6. Effective Date**. This Resolution, being for the proposal of the question of whether a Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position shall be established, shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters at the election held on November 5, 2024. The Board of Supervisors’ Appointed Auditor-Controller position shall become valid and binding if a majority of the voters voting thereon vote in its favor at said election and shall become permanent, unless repealed or amended by the voters. If approved by the voters, the Board-appointed Auditor-Controller position shall become effective beginning on January 4, 2027.

 **Section 7. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid, unconstitutional, or otherwise unlawful, by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution, the application thereof, and the general taxes imposed shall not be effected thereby but shall remain in full force and effect, it being the intention of the voters to adopt each and every section, subsection, part, clause, sentence, or phrase, regardless of whether any other section, subsection, part, clause, sentence, or phrase or the application thereof is held to be invalid or unconstitutional. The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that one or more of the sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid, unconstitutional, or unlawful.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to its right and authority, that the following question is ordered submitted to the voters of the County of Siskiyou and placed on the ballot for vote at the election to be held November 5, 2024:

“MEASURE \_\_\_

Shall the current voter elected position of County Auditor-Controller become a Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors’ appointed position of Auditor-Controller with an effective date of January 4, 2027?

 YES \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

 Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given, and the County Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form, and manner as required by law.

 **IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that the election be included and consolidated with the election on November 5, 2024.

 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors, this 21st day of May 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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 MICHAEL N. KOBSEFF, CHAIR

 Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors

 State of California

ATTEST:

LAURA BYNUM, Clerk

Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors

By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Deputy