RESOLUTION NO. 848-22 (Implementation Resolution - Burn Ban pursuant to Ordinance)

On this 1ST day of July 2022, the Elmore County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") hereby resolves the following:

WHEREAS, the Board values the lives and safety of Elmore County residents and takes such matters affecting the same very seriously;

WHEREAS, the Board hereby declares that conditions and circumstance within the County now or in the future will necessitate the imposition of an Open Fire ban to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.

WHEREAS, the Board has implemented and passed the Open Fire Ban and Burn Permit Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2012-02) ("Fire Ban Ordinance") and this Implementation Resolution of the Burn Ban Ordinance ("Implementation Resolution") shall implement the Open Fire ban, as defined and authorized in the Fire Ban Ordinance;

WHEREAS, prior to issuing this Implementation Resolution, the Board may consider established evaluation criteria to predict fire dangers in the County;

WHEREAS, many parts of Elmore County are extremely dry and due to current conditions the threat of wild fires is severe;

WHEREAS, wildfires constitute a real threat to life and property in Elmore County;

WHEREAS, it is commonly known that from time to time there exist an extreme or serious danger and threat of forest fires, grassfires and wildfires due to dry weather and vegetation conditions in Elmore County and that fires have cased property damage and the potential for risk of loss of life;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to prohibit Open Fire, as defined in the Fire Ban Ordinance;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-828, boards of county commissioners have the power and authority "[t]o do and perform all other acts and things required by law not in this title enumerated, or which may be necessary to the full discharge of the duties of the chief executive authority of the county government."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION:

From July 1, 2022 until October 1, 2022, or such earlier date as set forth by the Board, the Board hereby declares a ban on Open Fire, as defined in the Burn Ban Ordinance on all private property located in Unincorporated Areas of the County Outside Fire Protection Districts, excluding those improved campgrounds operated by the Idaho Power Company. This area shall not include public lands belonging to the United States of America or the State of Idaho located within the Unincorporated Areas of the County.

This Implementation Resolution is dated and is made effective as of the 1st day of July, 2022.

Crystal Rodgers, Chairperson

Albert Hofer, Commissioner

Franklin L. Corbus, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Shelley Essl, Clark

