## TOWN OF SARATOGA, WYOMING RESOLUTION NO. 2023-14

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Town of Saratoga has identified the need for a veteran's memorial park and has established a project called **NEVER FORGET PARK** project; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Saratoga Master Plan specifically indicates the needs for Improved access to fishing and recreation opportunities; and Encouraging volunteerism with youth and seniors; and Cleaning up public properties and roadway corridors; and

WHEREAS, the NEVER FORGET PARK project directly addresses the forementioned needs by Providing better parking and access to Veterans Island Park and the North Platte River; and Scheduling specific opportunities for volunteers to build benches and plant greenery; and Improving blighted town property along a busy roadway.

WHEREAS, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, administered by the Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources, is a federal grant program designed to assist in development and/or acquisition of public outdoor recreation lands and facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Saratoga will encumber 100% of the grant request funding totaling **\$318,400**, which includes both federal funds requested and cash match, for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the NEVER FORGET PARK designated fund and in-kind contributions are available as a cash match for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Saratoga designates that NEVER FORGET PARK will only be used for outdoor recreation into perpetuity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF SARATOGA, WYOMING: That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and the Town Clerk to attest, a grant application to the Land and Water Conservation Fund administered by the Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources and in the amount of up to **\$318,400** in federal funds for the NEVER FORGET PARK project.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

Approval signatures below:

CHUCK DAVIS, Mayor, Town of Saratoga

Attest: JENNIFER ANDERSON, Clerk, Town of Saratoga