

Honoring
**THE BUTTE COUNTY
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2018, a brush fire started near Camp Creek Road in the rugged foothills of the Sierra Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the Camp Fire quickly grew into the deadliest and most destructive wildfire in California history; and

WHEREAS, upon full containment on November 25, 2018, the fire had consumed more than 153,300 acres and was responsible for the deaths of 85 people; and

WHEREAS, the wildfire destroyed ninety percent of the town of Paradise and approximately 19,000 residences, structures, and businesses in the region; and

WHEREAS, Butte County Assessor Diane Brown and her staff immediately began outreach to property owners regarding property tax relief and, by the end of November 2018, were already reassessing properties damaged or destroyed in the Camp Fire; and

WHEREAS, Assessor Brown and her staff worked long hours assisting taxpayers at their main office in Oroville and at the Disaster Recovery Center in Chico; and

WHEREAS, by March 2019, Butte County Assessor's Office appraisers had visited most of the affected parcels and had completed 13,000 assessments for new tax bills and;

WHEREAS, Assessor Brown and her staff are commended for the professionalism and efficiency displayed in the months after this devastating wildfire; and now: Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, so hereby recognize the Butte County Assessor's Office for their rapid response in the aftermath of the Camp Fire and their ongoing dedication to the people of Butte County.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fifth day of June 2019, by the State Board of Equalization.