

**MEMORANDUM**  
OFFICE OF THE  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jennifer Montgomery, Supervisor District 5

DATE: December 11, 2012

SUBJECT: PROCLAMATION – Approve a Proclamation in support of naming the unnamed natural peak in Tahoe “GOLD STAR PEAK” in honor of Lake Tahoe’s Fallen Soldiers.

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve a Proclamation in support of naming the unnamed natural peak in Tahoe “GOLD STAR PEAK” in honor of Lake Tahoe’s Fallen Soldiers.

**BACKGROUND**

The United States of America has been involved in military combat in Afghanistan since 2001, and Iraq since 2003. The following are servicemen killed in action from the Tahoe Basin:

- PFC Phillip Brandon Williams, USMC, 21, died October 9, 2006 in Iraq
- Sergeant Timothy M. Smith, USA, 25, died April 7, 2008 in Iraq
- Specialist Garrett Fant, USA, 21, died September 26, 2011 in Afghanistan

It is right and just to honor those who honorably serve in defense of liberty and to provide special honor to those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

There stands an unnamed natural peak in the Lake Tahoe Basin which serves well as such a purpose to recognize and remember their valiant sacrifice.

We request the Board on Geographical Names to approve the naming of this natural feature and include it on all future federal publications.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None

# Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

## IN THE MATTER OF A PROCLAMATION NAMING AN UNNAMED NATURAL PEAK IN THE TAHOE BASIN "GOLD STAR" PEAK IN HONOR OF LAKE TAHOE'S FALLEN SOLDIERS

The following PROCLAMATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held, December 11, 2012

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**WHEREAS**, the United States of America has been involved in military combat in Afghanistan since 2001, and Iraq since 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, the following are servicemen killed in action from the Tahoe Basin:

- **PFC Phillip Brandon Williams**, USMC, 21, died October 9, 2006 in Iraq
- **Sergeant Timothy M. Smith**, USA, 25, died April 7, 2008 in Iraq
- **Specialist Garrett Fant**, USA, 21, died September 26, 2011 in Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS**, it is right and just to honor those who honorably serve in defense of liberty and to provide special honor to those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS**, there stands an unnamed natural peak in the Lake Tahoe Basin which serves well as such a purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of Supervisors, of the County of Placer, herewith:

(1) Recognizes and remembers the valiant sacrifice of:

Brandon Williams  
Timothy Smith  
Garret Fant

(2) Encourages community efforts to properly memorialize those sacrifices; and

(3) Supports the naming of the natural peak located in the Lake Tahoe Basin at Latitude 39 degrees 15 minutes 23.2 seconds West (39.25644 N) and Longitude 120 degrees 5 minutes 18.5 seconds North (120.08847 W) to be called "Gold Star Peak" in remembrance; and

(4) Requests the Board on Geographical Names to approve the naming of this natural feature and include it on all future federal publications.

Jennifer Montgomery,  
Supervisor District 5, 2012 Chairwoman

Jack Duran, Supervisor District 1  
Robert M. Weygandt, Supervisor District 2  
Jim Holmes, Supervisor District 3  
Kirk Uhler, Supervisor District 4