MEMORANDUM
COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

TO: Board of Supervisors                      DATE: June 7, 2016
FROM: David Boesch, CEO
       David Snyder, Director
SUBJECT: Quarterly Census of Employment Wages Data

ACTION REQUESTED
Adopt a Resolution to authorize the Office of Economic Development to receive and analyze quarterly census reports of employment and wages data for the County of Placer from the Employment Development Department (EDD), and authorize the County Executive Officer, or his designee to execute all necessary agreements with EDD to obtain that information.

BACKGROUND
Accessing confidential data available through EDD will allow the County to better plan for economic growth and job creation. The county proposes to utilize a contractor to perform work using Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) data to more accurately measure and analyze the status of the local labor market, industry concentrations, comparative economic advantages, emerging industry growth, average wages, quality of jobs, synergistic industries, and employers at risk. This resolution is needed to authorize the Office of Economic Development to receive this important data from EDD and also to authorize the office to negotiate and execute necessary agreements with EDD to accept the data.

FISCAL IMPACT
There is no fiscal impact to the County.

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution
Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of:
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE TO RECEIVE QUARTERLY CENSUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES DATA FROM THE CALIFORNIA STATE EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

Resolution No.: ____________

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held________________________, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

__________________________________________
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board
WHEREAS, identification and analysis of the largest employers and local industry sectors in the COUNTY OF PLACER (COUNTY) is a fundamental component of the County's economic development activities; and

WHEREAS, the California State Employment Development Department (EDD) through a federal-state program known as the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program, collects information from all employers each quarter on their employment and wages; and

WHEREAS, the EDD provides this data, aggregated into industry sectors, and the information about specific employers is considered confidential and cannot be released to the general public; and

WHEREAS, the EDD's Labor Market Information Division, by law, may provide confidential information to a local government agency and its consultants for economic development purposes by entering into an Agreement that outlines how the data can be disseminated and the security measures needed in order to maintain the confidentiality of the data; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to designate the County of Placer Office of Economic Development, to maintain current employment data throughout the County for economic development purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, County of Placer, State of California, that the County's Office of Economic Development, is authorized to obtain QCEW industry and employment data for the County of Placer from the California State Employment Development Department, including confidential data, and access and utilize that data for economic development purposes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the County Executive Officer or his designee is authorized to negotiate and execute any documents or agreements with the California State Employment Development Department in support of EDD's release of information for the purposes set forth in this Resolution.