

## MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JULIANA OLINKA JONES AS THE 2021 COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD WINNER

**WHEREAS**, community is a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals; and

WHEREAS, Juliana Olinka Jones is a tireless and generous member of our Mono County community; and

**WHEREAS**, Juliana has been a tremendous asset to the Mono County Civil Grand Jury over the years. Her dedication, leadership, and civic orientation have helped develop and shape our Civil Grand Jury and its operations. She has served on three grand juries in Mono County starting in 2017-18; she came back the next year as foreperson. After taking a year off, Juliana again serviced as foreperson in 2020-21; and

**WHEREAS**, always an active member, Juliana worked tirelessly on many investigations and reports ensuring the best interest of all county citizens was being served by our governmental bodies. In addition, Juliana has been instrumental in improving the function of the Civil Grand Jury through the development and use of the continuity report and grand jury manual. Without her leadership and vision, the 2020-21 Civil Grand Jury would not have been possible during the pandemic. Juliana advocated for and saw to it that members each received a laptop and that there was a secure platform so the group could continue their important work remotely; and

**WHEREAS**, after her 2020-21 term, Juliana began expanding her reach and sharing her expertise as a trainer with the California Grand Jury Association, the primary resource for the Civil Grand Juries throughout the State; and

**WHEREAS**, Juliana has served the Mono County Elections office as a precinct officer, demonstrating flexibility, leadership, efficacy, and knowledge that has been and will always be greatly needed to conduct secure elections. She helped to ensure voters that even through a pandemic, they were able to vote in person if they choose. In a time where safety was at the forefront of everyone's mind and some of our usual volunteers had to stay home, Juliana showed up for democracy, to which we are forever grateful.

**WHEREAS**, as a volunteer member of the Mammoth Lakes Fire Safe Council, Juliana is a strong advocate for fire safe policies that promote community protection and awareness of extreme wildfire risk; and

**WHEREAS**, for years, Juliana served as a volunteer on the Mammoth Lakes Community Emergency Response Team, better known as CERT; and

**WHEREAS**, Juliana can be found throughout the year on the stage with Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre, enhancing the quality of life in the Eastern Sierra through the art of quality theatre; and

WHEREAS, Juliana was the lead in their recent play, playing one of the greatest characters ever written by Shakespeare. Not only did she act, she also made all the costumes for both of this summer's Shakespeare shows in the Mammoth Shakespeare Festival. She outfitted over 25 actors in the most magical, creative costumes. In standard Juliana style, she was the first to arrive and the last to leave at every rehearsal. She does everything out of a sense of community. She is the team player you cannot live without and a true leading lady.



**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Mono County Board of Supervisors proclaims Juliana Olinka Jones the winner of the 2021 Community Spirit Award, in recognition of her work through multiple sectors of the community.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Board sincerely thanks Juliana for her service to the community.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of January, 2022, by the Mono County Board of Supervisors.

Jennifer Kreitz, District #1	Rhonda Duggan, District #2
Bob Gardner, Ch	nair, District #3