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## **PAT EDWARDS EXHIBIT OPENS AT THE NORTH TAHOE EVENT CENTER**

(Kings Beach, California) - The art of long time local artist, Pat Edwards, comes to the North Tahoe Event Center on October 5<sup>th</sup> and will remain in the Center until January 4, 2011. To celebrate this exhibit and allow the public an opportunity to meet the artist, a reception will be held on Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30 PM at the North Tahoe Event Center. Pat's current exhibit is an array of landscapes scenes, some of people, and others of Tahoe in her different moods with a mix of pastels, some acrylics, photos and mixed media.

Pat has lived in North Lake Tahoe since she was nine years old. She has taken many awards although she has had no formal training in art. Over the last 50 years Ms. Edwards' art has been shown throughout the Tahoe/Truckee region as well as Graeagle, Reno and Loyalton. She works in oils, pastels, acrylics, mixed media and china painting as well as being an accomplished ceramicist working in clay, handbuilding, Raku and utilizing ceramic pieces as though they were canvases. Currently her focus is on painting in different mediums and has been plein air painting, painting outdoors in the changing lights and weathers, with several other artists in the area.

Since early childhood she has loved expression through art, feeling that art is a way people can be healed from emotional trauma in their lives and loves the joy that comes when a piece is completed and accomplished what a person wanted to show. "Art and painting is like an internal re-firing of the soul. Wonderful clean feelings of joy wash

through me while creating the paintings,” said Ms. Edwards. “It’s special for humans to be able to walk in our gifts and we need to continually be pressing on to increase and perfect them.”

She also finds great joy in sharing art through teaching and helping others come forth in their own unique styles. In addition to having her own ceramics studio in the past, Ms. Edwards has also taught painting and doll-making.

The public is invited to come into the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach, CA during normal business hours to view the art on display at no charge. Exhibits will be rotated approximately every 3 months. The North Tahoe Event Center has partnered with North Tahoe Arts and the Art in Public Places program to provide rotating art exhibits available to the public. The Center hopes to provide a more inviting atmosphere through the showing of artwork with a connection to the North Tahoe Community, either through the artist or content of the work.

The North Tahoe Public Utility District provides sewer and water service to the residents of Kings Beach, Tahoe Vista, Carnelian Bay, Cedar Flat and Agate Bay. The District owns, manages and maintains the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach. This facility offers flexible options for gatherings large and small and indoors and out. Four of eight meeting rooms offer dramatic views of Lake Tahoe. The District owns, manages and maintains the North Tahoe Regional Park in Tahoe Vista which provides recreation opportunities to residents and visitors. In addition, the District owns and/or maintains all of the public beaches in the District including Kings Beach State Recreation Area, Tahoe Vista Recreation Area, and Secline Beach to name just a few.

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