## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) Peer Coach III Kellie Jack is retiring June 30, after nearly 14 years with the department; and

WHEREAS, Kellie was first hired as an extra help Mental Health Aide in 2008 and accepted a permanent position eight months later; and

**WHEREAS,** in June 2021, the Board of Supervisors reclassified Kellie's position to a Peer Coach II, with Kellie promoting to a Peer Coach III just five months later; and

WHEREAS, the Hope Center, located on the main Behavioral Health campus, provides a safe, positive environment to learn to live the best life possible and is a place where everyone is a peer and participants can relax, socialize, play games and learn new skills; and

WHEREAS, when people think of the Hope Center, they think of Kellie and the effort she has put into making the center a welcoming place for everyone; and

WHEREAS, Hope Center staff describe Kellie as the force behind the center who has been leading, supporting and encouraging fellow staff members to provide recovery services to those who attend center programs and pushing for the Hope Center to go from a "drop in," to an education and recovery center; and

WHEREAS, Kellie has been active in advancing Peer Certification training to Humboldt County peer support workers and serving on boards, panels, workshops and as a speaker locally and in the state to promote the importance of peer work; and

WHEREAS, Kellie is well loved by her co-workers and Hope Center participants and always has time to provide one-on-one peer support; and

WHEREAS, Kellie has been a key organizer and promoter of May is Mental Health Matters Month and the Mental Health Walk and has connected with community partners and law enforcement agencies from throughout the county, and welcomed their participation in the walk and festivities of the month.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes, honors and expresses our gratitude for Kellie Jack's years of dedication to the county and community and wish her happiness as she embarks on her next adventure.

Dated: June 28, 2022

Virginia Bass, Chair