



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.  
**D-2**

For the meeting of: October 11, 2016

Date: September 30, 2016  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Supervisor Mark Lovelace  
Subject: Binational Health Week and Latino Health Awareness Month in Humboldt County

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors adopt the Proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: The Board of Supervisors has been asked to recognize and honor Binational Health Week and Latino Health Awareness Month in Humboldt County with a proclamation. Binational Health Week is a long-standing campaign supported by Health Initiative of the Americas, and Festejando Nuestra Salud (Spanish language health fair) has been scheduled to coincide with BHW over the years.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation

Prepared by Kathy Hayes

Signature: 

REVIEW: Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ County Counsel \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Risk Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ITEM:  
 Consent  
 Departmental  
 Public Hearing  
 Other Special Presentation (5 minutes)

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**  
Upon motion of Supervisor Bass Seconded by Supervisor Fennell  
Ayes Bass, Fennell, Sundberg, Bohn, Lovelace  
Nays  
Abstain  
Absent

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting of: \_\_\_\_\_

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: October 11, 2016  
By: Boyd Abbott  
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

# PROCLAMATION

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT



**WHEREAS, September is Latino Health Awareness Month** and this year's 16th annual **Binational Health Week** will take place **October 1-16th, 2016**; and

**WHEREAS,** Latinos are the fastest-growing population in the United States. It is estimated that nearly one in three children will be Latino by 2030; and

**WHEREAS,** Latino communities in the US experience social inequities, lack of health insurance, and limited access to services. These factors have consequences for health in terms of chronic disease, life expectancy, and overall wellbeing; and

**WHEREAS,** more than 32 percent of California's Latino adults are obese and 40 percent of Latino adolescents are either overweight or obese, diabetes is on the rise among California's Latinos with more than 13 percent of Latino adults affected with diabetes; and

**WHEREAS,** Binational Health Week mobilizes governments, community based organizations and volunteers to improve the health and wellbeing of the underserved Latino population living in the United States and Canada; and

**WHEREAS,** in Humboldt County these events foster community solidarity by bringing together existing resources and hundreds of volunteers working together for a common goal; and

**WHEREAS,** Latino Health Awareness Month and Binational Health Week provide an opportunity to highlight the outstanding efforts of Promotores and other professionals and community leaders striving to improve linguistic access and cultural competence in service delivery in Humboldt County and throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** the County of Humboldt acknowledges the many organizations collaborating in the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Spanish Language Health Fair "Festejando Nuestra Salud/ Celebrating Our Health" scheduled for Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at the Redwood Acres Fairgrounds; and

**WHEREAS,** the Festejando Nuestra Salud health fair has provided health screenings, flu vaccinations, and resources to approximately 500 individuals each year and has also become a local, cultural celebration.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors that in honor of those efforts to improve public health, **September is Latino Health Awareness Month** and the week of **October 1-16th, 2016** be declared, "**The Sixteenth Annual Binational Health Week**" throughout Humboldt County.

Dated: October 11, 2016

Mark Lovelace, Chair