



AGENDA ITEM NO.  
**D-1**

# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: April 22, 2014

Date: April 09, 2014  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Supervisors Ryan Sundberg  
Subject: Proclaim April 2014 as Alcohol Awareness Month in Humboldt County

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

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Mental Health Branch has requested the Board of Supervisors recognize Alcohol Awareness Month with a proclamation. DHHS Mental Health Branch encourage citizens to educate one another about addiction, treatment and recovery and to access resources available in the community including the DHHS Mental Health Branch Alcohol and Other Drug Services.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation

Prepared by Tracy Damico

Signature Ryan Sundberg

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

TYPE OF ITEM:  
 Consent  
 Departmental  
 Public Hearing  
 Other Special Presentation

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
Upon motion of Supervisor Sundberg  
Seconded by Supervisor Lorelace  
And unanimously carried by those members present,  
The Board hereby adopts the recommended action  
contained in this report.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

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

Dated: April 22, 2014  
Tracy Damico, Deputy Clerk of the Board

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

By: Ann Huntwell

**PROCLAMATION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

**WHEREAS**, the theme of National Alcohol Awareness Month this year is "**Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow**"; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence sponsors this observance to remind Americans that alcohol is the most commonly used addictive substance in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, one in every 12 adults suffers from alcohol abuse or dependence; and over 100,000 persons die each year from alcohol-related causes: drinking and driving crashes, other accidents, falls, fires, alcohol-related homicides and suicides; and

**WHEREAS**, young people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking at age 21; and

**WHEREAS**, a number of organizations work in treatment, prevention and law enforcement to lower the negative impact of alcohol abuse in Humboldt County; and

**WHEREAS**, a number of people are committed to recovery in self-help groups and organizations, such as Alcoholics Anonymous; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteers with groups like the Behavioral Health Board and Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention support efforts to reduce stigma, increase community awareness and to support individuals and families coping with alcoholism.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt do hereby proclaim that April 2014 is Alcohol Awareness Month in Humboldt County. Together, we can provide "**Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow**" for those in our community who are facing challenges with alcohol abuse and addiction.

DATED: April 22, 2014

  
REX BOHN, CHAIR