

# Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

## RESOLUTION

*in honor of*  
Robert “Bob” Prior

**WHEREAS**, Robert Douglas Prior was born on May 22, 1932, in Fresno, California, and spent his formative years in Eureka, where he would begin a lifelong commitment to leadership, service, and community; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert “Bob” was a proud graduate of Eureka High School, where he served as student body president, and later earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Stanford University, building the foundation for a distinguished legal career that would span more than six decades; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob served honorably in the United States Army from 1957 to 1963, exemplifying integrity, discipline, and civic duty; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob returned to Humboldt County to establish a lasting legacy as both an attorney and a rancher—balancing his legal practice with his love of the land, co-founding D & B Cattle Company and riding horseback on the trails of Blocksburg, the Lassics, and Pipe Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob was a dedicated public servant and community leader, serving on the Humboldt County Fair Board for over sixty years, including as president, and holding the longest tenure ever recorded in the California Fair Association; and

**WHEREAS**, he was a proud member of the Eureka Rotary Club for over 46 years, served as president of the Ingomar Club, and co-founded the Christine and Jalmer Berg Foundation to support philanthropy throughout the region; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob Prior was a man of quiet strength, deep compassion, and unshakable values—whose devotion to family was evident in his 54-year marriage to his beloved wife Lois, his role as a father, stepfather, grandfather, and great-grandfather, and his continued presence at the milestones of those he loved; and



**WHEREAS**, Bob lived his life with grace, humility, and purpose—leaving a legacy that will continue to inspire all those who had the privilege to know him.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize and celebrate the life of Robert “Bob” Prior and expresses its deepest gratitude for his decades of service, leadership, and unwavering dedication to the people and lands of Humboldt County and beyond.

August 19, 2025



*Michelle Bushnell*

Michelle Bushnell, Chair