



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

**WHEREAS**, in December 1948, the UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS was adopted and proclaimed by the General Assembly of the United Nations and was the first attempt in human history to set down the minimum rights which every person should enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights recognizes the inherent dignity of equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family in the foundation of freedom, justice, and peace in the world for which everyone is entitled without distinction of any kind to race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or status; and

**WHEREAS**, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights has inspired international covenants, treaties, and agreements not only protecting the rights of men and women of all races and creeds, but specifically enumerating and protecting the rights and unique needs of children, indigenous and tribal peoples, refugees, immigrants, and political prisoners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and its covenants have inspired global focus on basic human needs and dignity for all people and have acted as a model for government bodies large and small around the world to declare and proclaim these rights for all human beings, demonstrated by the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man adopted by the Organization of American States in 1948; the African Charter on Human and People's Rights adopted by the African Union in 1979; the Cairo Declaration of Human Rights in Islam adopted by the Organization of the Islamic Conference in 1990; and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union adopted by the European Union in 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Humboldt, in compliance with the statutes of the State of California, established the Humboldt County Human Rights Commission to aid in the eradication of discrimination based on race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, marital status, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, civic interest, or any other factors; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout the years, the Humboldt County Human Rights Commission has conducted studies on various issues of unique concern to the our rural County regarding human rights and presented testimony and expert witness on these issues before the County Board of Supervisors.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims **December 2018 as Human Rights Awareness Month** and encourages all citizens to educate themselves regarding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, to remain aware of the privileges we enjoy in a free society, and recognize the work of the Human Rights Commission in their efforts to eradicate prejudice and discrimination in our richly diverse community.

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Ryan Sundberg, Chair