



**RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

**WHEREAS**, Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) Senior Program Manager Sally Hewitt is retiring after more than 10 years with the department; and

**WHEREAS**, Sally's employment with DHHS started in 2009, but her work with Humboldt County residents experiencing homelessness dates back to the 1980s; and

**WHEREAS**, over the years, Sally worked with local organizations to help people with disabilities and domestic violence survivors secure housing and later worked with Mobile Medical Office, serving the local homeless population; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2004, Sally helped found the Humboldt Housing and Homeless Coalition which made it possible for local organizations to work together to apply for federal HUD dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, Sally was instrumental in starting the first local permanent supportive housing project, Arcata Bay Crossing, a collaborative effort between Housing Humboldt, Rural Communities Housing Development Corporation, DHHS and Arcata House Partnership, with funding from the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program, Mental Health Services Act administered by CalHFA, North Coast Grantmaking Partnership, PNC Real Estate and the City of Arcata, which opened in 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Sally has spent her time with the county focusing on providing services for people with serious mental illness who are experiencing homelessness and has been active in working with Danco Communities on a variety of housing projects including The Lodge at Eureka and the developments currently underway on Fourth Street in Eureka and in Rio Dell; and

**WHEREAS**, colleagues say Sally is an out-of-the-box thinker and a strong advocate for people experiencing homelessness, and a manager who empowered her staff to implement creative strategies to best support people with obtaining and maintaining housing; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to her patience and humor, Sally's staff said they admire how she has helped the community and DHHS address the critical issues of homelessness and housing through her belief that outreach means reaching out to all communities throughout Humboldt County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes, honors and expresses gratitude for Sally Hewitt's years of dedication to the county and community and wishes her a long and happy retirement.

DATED: October 15, 2019

REX BOHN, Chair