Humboldt County Board of Supervisors **RESOLUTION**

in honor of the

25th Anniversary of the Serendipity Bookstore

WHEREAS, the members of the Friends of the Redwood Libraries raise money and volunteer their time to ensure the Humboldt County Library gets the resources it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Redwood Libraries' Serendipity Bookstore opened in October 1999 as a result of the late Frances Rapin's idea to sell used books as a means to raise funds to meet unbudgeted library needs; and

WHEREAS, since that opening the proceeds from the Serendipity Bookstore have exceeded \$625,000 and have enabled the Friends of the Redwood Libraries to help with expenses such as new book purchases, library improvements including furniture and equipment, children's programs, and travel costs for library staff to attend out-of-town conferences and training programs; and

WHEREAS, the Serendipity Book Store's success can be attributed to the more than 30 current volunteers who donate their time by working in the bookstore, receiving, sorting and pricing book donations, and stocking shelves; and

WHEREAS, in October 2024 the Serendipity Book Store will mark twenty-five years of service to the Humboldt County Library and its patrons by providing our customers with countless hours of reading enjoyment and giving thousands of books a new life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Serendipity Book Store and thanks the Friends of the Redwood Libraries for all they do to make the Humboldt County Library a cornerstone of our community.

Dated: October 1, 2024

Rex Bohn, Chair