

# Proclamation

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

**WHEREAS**, the Ink People has been “Weaving the Arts into the fabric of our Community” since 1979, bringing art and culture opportunities to individuals and groups from every walk of life; and

**WHEREAS**, cofounders Libby Maynard and the late Brenda Tuxford dedicated their lives to nurturing fertile ground where creativity can thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ink People changes lives by connecting our communities with resources for cultural development, encouraging people to exercise their humanity, build civic discourse and engage their creative potential; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arts in Humboldt represent a large section of the economy, and Humboldt County has the highest number of Artists per capita, making arts access an important economic resource to protect and grow; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ink People has created countless collaborative connections giving voice to those who would otherwise be left silent through dozens of core programs and hundreds of DreamMaker projects through the years; and


**WHEREAS**, the DreamMaker Projects make up over 100 different self-directed arts & culture groups, representing a truly diverse cross section of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, creative expression, and cultural engagement improve communication, advance education, open dialogs, and shine a light on the human condition to better understand who we truly are; and

**WHEREAS**, 2019 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> year of the Ink People’s service to our community under the leadership of Cofounder Libby Maynard.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims 2019 as **THE YEAR OF THE INK PEOPLE**, and encourages all community members to join in the celebration of grassroots community arts, and their invaluable contribution to our quality of life.

DATED: January 22, 2019



REX BOHN, Chair

