

in honor of

## Sexual Assault Awareness Month

WHEREAS, sexualized violence affects children, youth, adults and elders of all genders from all racial, cultural and economic backgrounds with public health and social justice implications for every person in Humboldt County; and

WHEREAS, staff and volunteers of the North Coast Rape Crisis Team provide 24-hour emergency response services to survivors and their significant others and believes that prevention and intervention are essential to a healthy community; and

WHEREAS, no one person, organization, agency or community can eliminate sexual assault on their own but can, through collaboration and partnership, work together to support those impacted, improve responses and ensure that survivors are not re-victimized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors reaffirms its commitment to the North Coast Rape Crisis Team and its values of HEAL: "Help Survivors by meeting them where they're at, Empower them throughout their healing journeys, Affirm their choices, Listen to and believe their truths" and acknowledges April 2025 as SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH.

Dated: April 8, 2025

Michelle Bushnell, Chair