



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.
02

For the meeting of: March 27, 2018

Date: March 8, 2018
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor Rex Bohn
Subject: Tsunami Preparedness Proclamation

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors adopt the proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: The Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services has asked the Board of Supervisors bring forth this proclamation highlighting education and awareness as being fundamental to saving lives in a tsunami event. The State of California, the National Weather Service and the County of Humboldt will be testing the Emergency Alert System beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 28, 2018.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation.

Prepared by Tracy Damico Signature *[Handwritten Signature]*

REVIEW: Auditor _____ County Counsel _____ Personnel _____ Risk Manager _____ Other _____

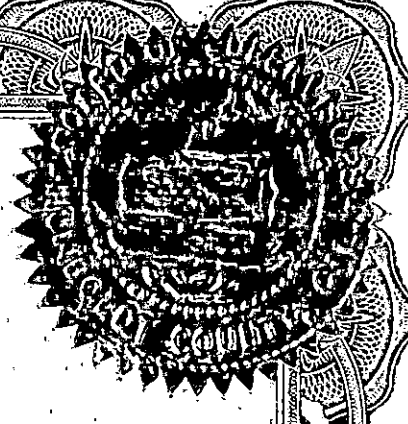
TYPE OF ITEM:
 Consent
 Departmental
 Public Hearing

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
Upon motion of Supervisor Wilson
Seconded by Supervisor Bass
And unanimously carried by those members present,
The Board hereby adopts the recommended action
contained in this report.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. _____
Meeting of: _____

Dated: *[Handwritten Signature]*
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board
By: 3/27/18



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

WHEREAS, California's long coastline, its proximity to other coastal states with offshore earthquake faults and its location on the Pacific "Ring of Fire" make it vulnerable to tsunamis; and

WHEREAS, 39 tsunamis have been recorded on California's North Coast since 1933, including five that caused damage; and

WHEREAS, eleven residents of Del Norte County, California, were killed by the tsunami generated by the 1964 Alaska earthquake; and

WHEREAS, one resident of Del Norte County, California, was killed by the tsunami generated by the 2011 Japan earthquake; and

WHEREAS, tsunamis caused by underwater landslides as well as offshore earthquakes can occur at any time and with little warning; and

WHEREAS, education, awareness and communication are fundamental to saving lives in a tsunami event; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt County has established a new emergency notification system; and

WHEREAS, the State of California, the National Weather Service and the County of Humboldt mark seven years since the 2011 Japan tsunami and 54 years since the Alaska tsunami by testing their ability to issue tsunami warnings for Humboldt County via the Emergency Alert System, beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday March 28, 2018; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim their support of the tsunami communications test and encourage agencies, businesses, other organizations to test their ability to receive and respond to a distant-source tsunami event.

DATED: March 27, 2018

RYAN SUNDBERG, Chair