PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT** WHEREAS, July is the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), which was passed by the United States Congress on July 26, 1990, to ensure the civil rights of citizens with disabilities; and WHEREAS, the ADA prevents discrimination based on disability, requires that employers provide reasonable accommodations, is designed so that public accommodations meet accessibility requirements, and is recognized as one of the most important civil rights laws in history; and WHEREAS, disability is an important part of normal human diversity; and WHEREAS, Disability Pride enables people with disabilities to redefine unique and shared experience as points of self-worth, serves as a tool to tackle structural challenges, bias, and discrimination, and reshaped false negative perceptions of individuals with disabilities as people with value, talents, and significance; and WHEREAS, Disability Pride Month is recognized and celebrated in many other cities in California and throughout the United States; and WHEREAS, Eureka's second annual Disability Pride Fest is scheduled for July 22, 2023 with activities throughout the area; and WHEREAS, within Humboldt County many organizations support and provide advocacy for persons with all different kinds of disabilities, as an expression of our commitment to inclusivity and to honoring the needs of every person. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors herby proclaims July 2023 as Disability Month in Humboldt County. July 18, 2023 Steve Madrone, Chair