



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 1/23/2024

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File #: 24-135

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Supervisor Natalie Arroyo

**Agenda Section:** Consent

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**SUBJECT:**

Certificate of Recognition for the Humboldt County Sheriff's Special Services Deputies Willoughby and Taylor for Their Lifesaving Efforts (Supervisor Natalie Arroyo)

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the Certificate of Recognition.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

General Fund

**DISCUSSION:**

On Jan. 13, 2024, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Special Services deputies were called into action near Felt Road to assist a homeowner with an evacuation effort due to flooding. Due to rising water levels, deputies had to deploy a zodiac raft to traverse approximately 1 mile of flooded roadway to assist the residents. Deputies were able to safely evacuate two adults, a one-month-old infant, and the family cat from nearly four feet waters that were rapidly rising in their home.

The Board of Supervisors would like to recognize the efforts and actions of Deputy Willoughby and Deputy Taylor and acknowledge the importance of their efforts by presenting a Certificate of Recognition to these deputies that lets them know how important their training and work is to our community.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact to presenting a certificate of recognition.

**STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:**

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Framework.

Core Roles: Protect vulnerable populations  
New Initiatives: Invest in county employees  
Strategic Plan: N/A

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Certificates of Recognition

**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

Board Order No.: N/A  
Meeting of: N/A  
File No.: N/A