

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Certified copy of portion of proceedings, Meeting of February 27, 2018

RESOLUTION NO. 18-15

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A SHELTER CRISIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 8698-8698.2

WHEREAS, the California Legislature has enacted Government Code section 8698, et. seq., referred to herein as the "Shelter Crisis Law," which authorizes the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors to declare that a shelter crisis exists within the jurisdiction of the County upon a finding that a significant number of persons within the County are without the ability to obtain shelter and a threat exists to the health and safety of those people; and

WHEREAS, the County of Humboldt, herein referred to as County, has received information that there is presently a significant number of persons within the within the unincorporated areas of the County who are currently unsheltered, and who are unable to obtain shelter; and

WHEREAS, such persons generally camp overnight in the open spaces of the County or in County owned property such as parks, greenbelts and marshes; and

WHEREAS, such camping activities especially during the winter months places such persons at risk of injury and harm due to exposure to the elements and to other health, safety, and welfare related circumstances associated with living outside ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 8698.1(b), upon declaration of a shelter crisis, the provisions of state or local regulatory statutes, regulations, and ordinances prescribing standards of housing, health, or safety are deemed suspended and inapplicable to the extent that strict compliance with such regulations or ordinances would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay the mitigation effects of the shelter crisis; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, hereby finds and adopts the recitals above as findings and determinations.

1. The Board finds that a significant number of persons within the County of Humboldt are without the ability to obtain shelter and that the situation has resulted in a threat to the health and safety of those persons; and
2. The Board encourages private groups and organizations within the community to provide shelter for those persons who may not have any; and
3. The Board finds that the activities of private groups and organizations may not be adequate to meet the need for shelter; and
4. The Board finds that strict compliance with otherwise applicable state or local statutes, regulations, and ordinances would prevent, hinder, or delay the County's mitigation of the effects of the shelter crisis.
5. The Board finds that the Declaration of Shelter Crisis is statutorily exempt under CEQA;
6. The Board hereby declares pursuant to Government Code section 8698 through 8698.2 that a shelter crisis exists in the unincorporated areas of Humboldt County, and shall continue until terminated by the Board.

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7. The Board hereby declares a review of the Shelter Crisis Declaration will occur at the Board meeting conducted one year from the date of this resolution.

Dated: February 27, 2018



Ryan Sundberg, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

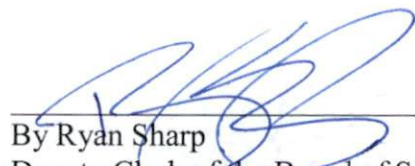
Adopted on motion by Supervisor Fennell, seconded by Supervisor Bass, and the following vote:

AYES:	Supervisors	Bohn, Fennell, Sundberg, Bass, Wilson
NAYS:	Supervisors	--
ABSENT:	Supervisors	--
ABSTAIN:	Supervisors	--

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Humboldt)

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



By Ryan Sharp
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Humboldt, State of California