

PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Whereas, there are 1.3 million individuals living in 15,600 nursing homes; and over 800,000 individuals living in 28,900 assisted living / residential care facilities in the United States; and

Whereas, the federal Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987 guarantees residents their individual rights in order to promote and maintain their dignity and autonomy; and

Whereas, all residents should be aware of their rights so they may be empowered to live with dignity and self-determination; and

Whereas, we wish to honor and celebrate these citizens, to recognize their rich individuality, and to reaffirm their right to vote and participate politically, including the right to have a say in their care; and

Whereas, individuals and groups across the country will be celebrating Residents' Rights Month with the theme "**Reclaiming My Rights, My Home, My Life**" to highlight the need for residents' rights to be recognized, recovered, and reasserted. The theme emphasizes the recognition of the long-term care facility as the residents' home, and the importance of residents reclaiming their own lives.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors proclaim October 2021 as national Long Term Care Resident's Rights Month, in Humboldt County.

DATED: October 5, 2021

Virginia Bass, Chair

