

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

**WHEREAS**, in any one year, as many as 47 million people in the United States take trips especially to watch and enjoy birds; and

**WHEREAS**, tourism continues to be an important contributing segment to the North Coast's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Humboldt Bay, river estuaries, mountain, coniferous forest, and rugged ocean coast habitats offer a variety of bird species that surpass the totals of 40 states and 10 Canadian Provinces; and

**WHEREAS**, the Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival showcases the area's rich diversity of birds, attracting tourists from all over the United States, and making Humboldt County a destination for birders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival is an educational tool to help maintain our natural habitats and diverse wildlife populations for the future, by offering field trips throughout Humboldt County.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors encourages the businesses and residents of Humboldt County to actively participate in the Annual Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival that will be held in Arcata April 13 through April 16, 2023, and to welcome our birding visitors to the Pacific North Coast in all ways that will inspire them to migrate back just as the birds have been doing for centuries.

April 4, 2023

Steve Madrone, Chair

