



AGENDA ITEM NO.
C-1

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: April 15, 2014

Date: March 25, 2014
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor Virginia Bass
Subject: Resolution Honoring Jim Howard for his Lifetime of Service and Work with Eureka Rotary and the Community.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors ratify authorization for the Chair to sign the Resolution.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: Rotarian Jim Howard is the Eureka Rotary's most senior Rotarian at the age of 98 and is being honored for his 40 years of service and work with the Eureka Rotary Club and the community.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution.

Prepared by Kathy Hayes

Signature Virginia Bass

REVIEW: Auditor _____ County Counsel _____ Personnel _____ Risk Manager _____ Other _____

TYPE OF ITEM:
 Consent
 Departmental
 Public Hearing
 Other _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
Upon motion of Supervisor Fennell Seconded by Supervisor Bass
Ayes Bass, Fennell, Behn, Lovelace, Sandberg
Nays _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. _____

Meeting of: _____

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: April 15, 2014
By: Kathy Hayes
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, Jim Howard was born on December 1, 1915 in Athens, Georgia, and just six months later, traveled with his mother Julia Palmer Howard and three-year-old sister to Eureka to live with his mother's sister after the untimely death of his father in a construction accident; and

WHEREAS, during his youth, Jim started his shining career working in his stepfather's shoe shine parlor in Old Town, Eureka after school and on Saturdays; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, Jim purchased his own shoe shine shop located at 310 E Street in Eureka and over the years several national celebrities sought out his services; Joe Louis, the retired World Boxing Champ, Congressman Don Clausen and U.S. Senator Alan Cranston, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Jim served on the Eureka Housing Authority Board from 1969 to 1972. In 1972, he was appointed to the Eureka City Council Ward one, where he was reelected three times to the City Council and served until November, 1990; and

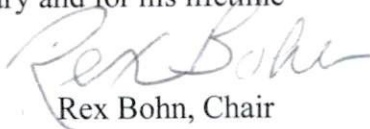
WHEREAS, for several years, Jim served as president of the Eureka Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was vice president and a member of the Board of Directors of Eureka Rotary Club, and served on the Humboldt County Grand Jury in 1971; and

WHEREAS, fellow Eureka City Council members remember Jim as a hard worker and a quiet source of help for new council members. He had a great sense of humor and was diligent in finding the facts on issues. Jim served the City of Eureka with distinction and stood for the best that one would expect from an elected official; and

WHEREAS, following the death of his lovely wife Edith in 1987, Jim retired from business but continued his community service to Rotary, local nonprofit organizations, friends and family.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor Jim Howard for his 40 years of service to Eureka Rotary and for his lifetime commitment to the community.

Dated: April 7, 2014


Rex Bohn, Chair

