

# Proclamation of the Board of Supervisors County of Humboldt

Whereas, in times of crisis, people in Humboldt County come together to care for one another. This humanitarian spirit is part of the foundation of our community and is exemplified by American Red Cross volunteers and donors; and

Whereas, in 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross, turning her steadfast dedication for helping others into a bold mission of preventing and alleviating people's suffering. Today, more than 140 years later, we honor the kindness and generosity of Red Cross volunteers here in Humboldt County, and the generosity of the American people in moments of crisis; and

Whereas, in Humboldt County, the contributions of local Red Cross volunteers give hope to the most vulnerable in their darkest hours, such as providing emergency shelter, food and comfort for families devastated by local disasters including home fires, extreme weather events, flooding and earthquakes; and

Whereas, the work of volunteers to alleviate human suffering is vital to strengthening our community's resilience. We dedicate this month of March to all those who continue to advance the noble legacy of American Red Cross founder Clara Barton, who lived by her words, "You must never think of anything except the need, and how to meet it."

Now, therefore, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors proclaims March 2022 as Red Cross Month, and encourages all citizens of Humboldt County to observe this month by supporting the work of service and relief organizations.

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Virginia Bass, Chair

