

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

Whereas, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by Native Americans and Indigenous peoples; and

Whereas, the contributions of Native Americans have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today; and

Whereas, the time has come to stop suppressing the memories of crimes committed against Native Americans by the seizing and occupying of their land; and

Whereas, historic atrocities committed against the tribes living in Humboldt County are recently coming to light; and

Whereas, Native American customs and traditions which were once suppressed are now respected and celebrated as part of a legacy throughout the United States, and

Whereas, Eureka was the first municipality in the United States to unconditionally return land to its original owners, and

Whereas, Native American Awareness Week, begun in 1976, was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November as National Native American Heritage Month; and

Whereas, in honor of National Native American Heritage Month community celebrations as well as cultural, artistic, educational, and historical activities have been planned throughout the nation.

Now, Therefore, we the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim November 2020 as Native American Heritage Month and urge all our citizen to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

DATED: October 27, 2020

ESTELLE FENNELL, Chair

