

PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, On May 1, 2009, President Obama issued Presidential Proclamation 8369 proclaiming May 2009 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Month is a month to celebrate and recognize the contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to Humboldt County, American society, culture, and history; and

WHEREAS, generations of AAPI's of all backgrounds have been inspirational examples of leaders and trailblazers and have a longstanding history of making esteemed, significant, cultural, economic and community contributions across the United States, California, and Humboldt County; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders include a multitude of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds and comprise 3.5% of the population of Humboldt County but represent a growing population with a long history in our region; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Month is a month to celebrate and recognize the contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to Humboldt County, American society, culture, and history; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islanders serve Humboldt County in myriad roles which include, but are not limited to, community members, entrepreneurs, academics, business leaders, physicians, teachers, and students in a variety of organizations; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islanders consistently demonstrate their resilience even in the face of increased hate events; and

WHEREAS, several local Asian American and Pacific Islander based organizations are leading work to make Humboldt County a better more inclusive community and enrich the lived experience for all residents of the county.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby designate May 2023 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month and recognize the significant contributions members of this community have made to Humboldt County, California, and the United States.

DATED: May 23, 2023

Steve Madrone, Chair

