

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Certified copy of portion of proceedings, Meeting of April 23, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 24-45

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE OF FORMER HUMBOLDT
COUNTY SHERIFF GENE WHEELER COX**

WHEREAS, Former Humboldt County Sheriff, Gene W. Cox, passed away on November 29, 1982 just four weeks before he was to retire; and

WHEREAS, Officer Cox began his police career with the Arcata Police Department in the early 1950's; and

WHEREAS, in 1954 Officer Cox joined the Humboldt County Sheriff's office; and

WHEREAS, in 1962 Officer Cox became the Undersheriff due to his professional and personal demeanor. He was well respected in the department; and

WHEREAS, Officer Cox was elected in 1966 as the County of Humboldt Sheriff and was re-elected in 1970, 1974 and 1978; and

WHEREAS, Officer Cox chose not to seek re-election as he was planning his retirement. It was four short weeks before his retirement that he was shot and killed in the line of fire.

WHEREAS, Officer Cox is remembered as the man whose laugh you could hear ringing across the building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor the life and legacy of former Humboldt County Sheriff Gene W. Cox and wholeheartedly supports the naming of a section of State Route Highway 299 in his memory.

Dated: April 23, 2024



Rex Bohn, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Adopted on motion by Supervisor Bushnell, seconded by Supervisor Madrone, and the following vote:

AYES:	Supervisors	--	Bushnell, Madrone, Bohn, Arroyo
NAYS:	Supervisors	--	
ABSENT:	Supervisors	--	Wilson
ABSTAIN:	Supervisors	--	

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Humboldt)

I, TRACY DAMICO, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



By NICOLE TURNER
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Humboldt, State of California