



## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

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For the meeting of: December 8, 2015

Date: November 12, 2015  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Supervisor Ryan Sundberg  
Subject: Appreciation Letter to John Shelter for Service on the Humboldt County Human Rights Commission.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to sign the letter of appreciation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: John Shelter has served on the Human Rights Commission since his initial appointment on August 26, 2008, representing District 5. He has been a dedicated and committed member to this Commission. The Board is sending him a letter of appreciation thanking him for his service.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Letter of Resignation and Letter of Appreciation.

Prepared by Kathy Hayes

Signature

REVIEW:

Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ County Counsel \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Risk Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent  
☐ Departmental  
☐ Public Hearing  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting of: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

Upon motion of Supervisor Lovelace Seconded by Supervisor Bass

Ayes Sundberg, Lovelace, Fennell, Bohn, Bass  
Nays  
Abstain  
Absent

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

Dated: Dec. 8, 2015

By:

Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

John R. Shelter

McKinleyville, CA 95519

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Chairperson  
Human Rights Commission  
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SUBJECT: Resignation

Board of Supervisors,

I would like to first thank you the experience of serving as a Human Rights Commissioner. I learned a lot in the past years, but nothing more than that the Board of Supervisors are very disconnected from this commission.

I had some other issues such as not being able to even get through one agenda. The communication has been very trying on me and I usually leave feeling like we never really accomplish anything or frustrated.

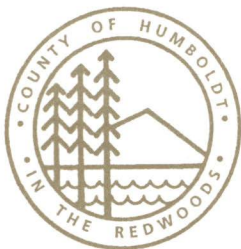
It has been a pleasure serving with most of you on the commission; however I do not believe I could respectfully continue under the current structure. I have never been very good at just writing letters to create change, with most of them being ignored by the supervisors that were supposed to count on our commission to be their EYES and EARS in issues of Human Rights.

I will continue on working on this issue of poverty and homelessness and hope to be able to come to your commission in the future to create real change.

Thank you,  
John R. Shelter

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December 8, 2015

John Shelter

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Dear Mr. Shelter:

*John*

The Board of Supervisors has received your letter of resignation from the Humboldt County Human Rights Commission.

The Board thanks you for the time you have served on this Commission and for the excellent job you have done in serving the citizens of Humboldt County. Your time and energy are greatly appreciated.

We wish you success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

*Estelle Fennell*

Estelle Fennell, Chair  
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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