

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT



For the meeting of: July 31, 2018

Date: July 26, 2018

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Ryan Sundberg

Subject: Letter in Support of North Coast EMS

<u>RECOMMENDATION(S)</u>: That the Board of Supervisors ratify authorization for the Chair to sign the letter.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: North Coast EMS has provided services to the counties of Del Norte, Humboldt and Lake Counties for over 40 years, ensuring that all three counties meet or exceed all state local EMS agency standards and requirements. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors is sending a letter in support of North Coast EMS and the extremely important work they are doing in our communities on behalf of our residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: North Coast EMS

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Letter of Support



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Larry Karsteadt Executive Director North Coast EMS 3340 Glenwood Street Eureka, CA 95503

Dear Mr. Karsteadt:

On behalf of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, I am writing in full support of North Coast EMS.

Our county has worked with North Coast EMS since the agencies formation, and supported the important work they do in our community every day.

Throughout this time, we have been impressed with the quality and quantity of the work you and your staff have been able to accomplish on behalf of Lake, Del Norte and Humboldt Counties. You and your team have worked effectively and responsibly to ensure that all three counties remain compliant with state, regional and local EMS requirements. Beyond your statutory responsibilities, you have brought innovative and critically important patient care programs to the north coast of California, while advocating vigorously at the state level for our rural EMS needs.

North Coast EMS is a professional, experienced, collaborative, innovative and cost-effective local EMS agency that has ensured continuity in the administration of our regional EMS system for over 40 years. Your agency is respected throughout California and we appreciate your contributions to the provision of quality patient care within our rural and isolated, but nonetheless progressive, EMS system.

Sincerely,

Ryan Sundberg, Chair Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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