PROCLAMATION of the Board of Supervisors County of Humboldt

WHEREAS, as motorcycle riding is a popular form of efficient transportation and recreation for more than one million people in California; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all motor vehicles be aware of one another and learn to share the road and practice courtesy; and

WHEREAS, motorcycles provide transportation which uses fewer resources, causes less wear and tear on public roadways, and increases available parking areas; and

WHEREAS, the safety hazards created by automobile operators who have not been educated to watch for motorcyclists on the streets and highways of Humboldt County are of prime concern to motorcyclists; and

WHEREAS, the United Bikers of Northern California (UBNC), Humboldt Chapter, the American Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education (ABATE) of California, Local 50 (Humboldt County), and the California North Coast Harley Owners Group ("HOG") are just three of Humboldt County's motorcycle organizations that actively promote safe operation, increased rider training, and increased motorist awareness of motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the need for awareness on the part of all drivers, especially with regard to sharing the road with motorcycles, and in honor of motorcyclists' many contributions to the communities to which they live and ride.

NOW THEREFORE, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby declares May, 2019 as **MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH** in Humboldt County and urges both motorcycle riders and automobile drivers to follow the rules of the road so that all citizens remain safe.

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Dated: May 7, 2019

Rex Bohn, Chair