PROCLAMATION

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Whereas, the California Retired Teachers Association was formed by Laura E. Settle in 1929 at the start of the Great Depression with the goal of relieving the economic hardships suffered by retired teachers and has since become a leading advocate for providing teachers with enough retirement income for 90 years; and

Whereas, California Retired Teachers Association also provides continuing support to active and future teachers, including grants, scholarships and donations of more than \$600,000 a year; and

Whereas, a vast majority of California's retired teachers share a commitment to improve their communities through volunteer activities; and

Whereas, retired teachers lead by example, including dozens of members who have given more than 4,000 hours of services; and

Whereas, statewide retired teachers can be found serving their communities in a host of activities; and

Whereas, here in Humboldt County local retired teachers volunteer in schools, museums, hospitals, other community organizations and the food bank, and gave \$2,500 in scholarships and \$500 to our museums last year alone; and

Whereas, the annual dollar value of this volunteer time donated throughout the state by retired teachers reached nearly \$58 million during the most recent reporting period.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that, in recognition of the vital role retired teachers fulfill in every community in California, and to honor their ongoing commitment to all teachers, we therefore declare the week of November 3 - 9, 2019, be proclaimed California Retired Teacher Week in Humboldt County.

DATED: November 5, 2019

Rex Bohn, Chair