## **Proclamation** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

## HONORING THE CENTENNIAL YEAR OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE AND INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

WHEREAS, International Women's Day began in the United States in 1909, has been celebrated internationally since 1911, and is an official holiday in 28 countries; and

**WHEREAS**, 2020 marks the 100th year of women gaining the right to vote in the United States and women, people of color, and our allies continue to work to expand and protect voting rights around the world; and

WHEREAS, women and girls of every race, ethnicity class and gender identity are working for social and environmental justice, peace, and safety at every level from local to global; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of women's historic social action continue to improve the world, We thank our women and girls, and we honor their ceaseless struggle for justice, peace, and harmony for all.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors of Humboldt County, California, hereby recognizes **March 8, 2020, as INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY** and encourages all community members to observe this day by participating in local events and working to create a more inclusive world, where all genders are able to live to their fullest potential, free from discrimination, oppression, and violence.

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Estelle Fennell, Chair