

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Legislation Text

File #: 24-953, Version: 1

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Mike Wilson

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Juneteenth Proclamation

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund (1100)

DISCUSSION:

On June 19, 1865, nearly two years after President Abraham Lincoln emancipated enslaved Africans in America, Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas with news of freedom. On June 19, 1866, formerly enslaved people in Galveston celebrated a year of emancipation with the Juneteenth holiday. Juneteenth celebrations quickly spread through the rest of the country, and Juneteenth continues to be the oldest known tradition honoring the end of slavery in the United States.

The Board of Supervisors is declaring June 19, 2024 as Juneteenth Day in Humboldt County to bring awareness and to celebrate this historical day of freedom.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Juneteenth is a paid holiday for county staff, and related expenditures have been included in the adopted FY 2023-24 budget.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Framework.

Core Roles: Protect vulnerable populations

New Initiatives: N/A

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Strategic Plan: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

A. Juneteenth Proclamation

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A File No.: N/A