

*Whereas,* the Rotary Club of Eureka, California was formed in the year 1923 - 100 years ago - and has since sponsored the formation of Rotary Clubs in Arcata, Fortuna, Crescent City, and Southwest Eureka; has assisted in the formation of the Rotary Clubs of Fort Bragg, Fortuna Sunrise, Ferndale, Old Town Eureka, Arcata Sunrise and Mad River: has sponsored the Eureka High Excalibur Club (1926-1945) the Eureka High Interact Club (1969 to present) Lost Coast Rotaract (2009 to present); *and* 

*Whereas,* throughout the years the Rotary Club of Eureka has generously sponsored and contributed to many worthwhile projects in our community such as disaster relief (local and international), food security, health care enhancements, elimination of polio, educational support, environmental improvement, international cooperation; *and* 

*Whereas,* the Club contributed financially to the Humboldt Room at Humboldt County Library, the Clarke Historical Museum Addition, the Morris Graves Art Museum, Community Blood Bank, youth sports and various youth organizations, military veteran recognition, assistance to community support groups such as Betty Chinn, Rescue Mission, Teen Challenge, Redwoods United, support for the Eureka Police and Fire Departments; *and* 

*Whereas,* the Club has provided scholarships to students at Eureka High School, St. Bernard's High School, College of the Redwoods and Cal Poly Humboldt, and sponsored international inbound and outbound youth exchange since 1948; *and* 

*Whereas,* the Rotary Club of Eureka has been and continues to be of immeasurable assistance to the Greater Eureka Community through education, healthcare, development, improvement of the quality of life, business and tourist enhancements and aid to the less fortunate; *and* 

*Now, therefore, I Mayor Kim Bergel, on behalf of the Eureka City Council*, do hereby proclaim, that 2023 be recognized THE YEAR OF ROTARY in EUREKA in honor of the Rotary Club of Eureka's Centennial Anniversary and all the service and good will shown to this community.

*Kim Bergel* Mayor October 3, 2023