PROCLAMATION
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, the County of Humboldt proudly recognizes Latinx Heritage Month, celebrated annually from September 15 to October 15, as a time to honor the rich histories, cultures, and lasting contributions of Latinx Americans—individuals whose ancestors hail from Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America, and Spain, as well as recent immigrants and their families, who now call Humboldt County home, and whose culture and traditions enrich the fabric of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Latinx community in Humboldt has long played a significant role in shaping the county's cultural, social, and economic landscape, contributing to vital areas such as education, agriculture, public service, environmental advocacy, business, the arts, and culinary traditions while also deeply enriching the community through its traditions, creativity, gastronomy, and resiliency, that honor family, affirm cultural identity, and history, fostering a more meaningful, inclusive, and diverse character for our community; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the importance of honoring and uplifting the voices and contributions of Latinx community members in promoting equity, social justice, environmental sustainability, and food justice - values that align with the county's ongoing commitment to building a just, sustainable, and inclusive future for all; and

WHEREAS, Latinx Heritage Month provides an opportunity for all to celebrate the accomplishments, influence, and contributions of the Latinx community while also reflecting on the ongoing efforts needed to address the disparities and challenges faced by Latinx residents and other historically underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt County is proud to be a sanctuary county, reaffirming its commitment to protect and support immigrant communities, ensuring that all residents, regardless of immigration status, can live without fear and contribute to the county's social, cultural, and economic vitality; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes September 15 – October 15, 2024, as the **LATINX HERITAGE MONTH**, and call upon all residents to honor, celebrate, and support the continued contributions of Latinx Americans, both past and present, in shaping the future of our community.

Dated: October 08, 2024

Rex Bohn, Chair