PROCLAMATION

OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, July 26, 2025 is the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), passed by the United States Congress in 1990, a landmark civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life; and

WHEREAS, the ADA remains one of the most significant civil rights laws in American history, ensuring equal opportunity and access for individuals with disabilities in employment, public services, public accommodations, telecommunications, and other critical areas of daily life; and

WHEREAS, July is Disability Pride Month, a time to celebrate the achievements, contributions, and resilience of individuals with disabilities, and to promote inclusion, acceptance, and understanding of disability as a natural part of human diversity; and

WHEREAS, more than 61 million Americans live with a disability, including residents of Humboldt County, and people with disabilities represent all ages, races, ethnicities, genders, and socioeconomic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Disability Pride Month offers an opportunity to honor the accomplishments of individuals with disabilities in a wide range of fields, including education, employment, the arts, athletics, science, public service, and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Disability Pride Month serves to raise awareness, challenge stigma, and promote greater visibility, accessibility, and inclusion for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS communities across California and the nation recognize and celebrate Disability Pride Month as part of a broader commitment to equity and social justice; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt County is committed to upholding the principles of equity, accessibility, and full participation for all individuals, and continues to advance efforts to remove barriers and ensure that people with disabilities have equal access to opportunities, services, and public life; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the disability community and reaffirm our commitment to building a more inclusive society where all people are treated with dignity and respect.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims July 2025 as Disability Month in Humboldt County.

Dated: July 22, 2025

Michelle Bushnell, Chair