



# City of Fortuna Proclamation

In Recognition of  
*Redwood Coast National PACE Month*  
*September 2025*

WHEREAS, *the elderly population in Humboldt County is growing rapidly, with a significant impact on health care needs and costs; and*

WHEREAS, *the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) is a fully integrated, comprehensive model of care that allows older adults who qualify for a nursing home level of care to continue living safely and independently in their homes and communities; and*

WHEREAS, *participants enrolled in PACE receive all Medicare- and Medicaid-covered services, along with additional supports such as rehabilitation, transportation, nutrition, social engagement, and family caregiver assistance that promote overall health and well-being; and*

WHEREAS, *PACE programs assume full financial responsibility for participants' medical care and related services—including hospitalization, and long-term care—through capitated payments from Medicare and Medicaid, thereby helping to control costs for the state while improving quality of care; and*

WHEREAS, *Redwood Coast PACE, a program of the Humboldt Senior Resource Center, has served more than 650 older adults in Humboldt County with currently 369 adults enrolled with centers located in Fortuna, Eureka, and now Arcata, providing a trusted local resource for families and seniors alike; and*

WHEREAS, *Redwood Coast PACE celebrates 11 years with the Humboldt Senior Resource center, being the only rural PACE in California and considered the most successful PACE program in the country; and*

WHEREAS, *PACE has consistently demonstrated improved health outcomes, greater participant satisfaction, and enhanced quality of life for older adults, while supporting families and strengthening communities;*

*Now THEREFORE, I Mayor Mike Johnson, by virtue of authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Fortuna, state of California, do hereby proclaim September 2025 as National PACE Month in the City of Fortuna, and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of Redwood Coast PACE, a program of the Humboldt Senior Resource Center in ensuring dignity, independence, and quality care for our community's seniors.*

*SIGNED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, at the City of Fortuna, in the State of California, and in witness thereof, the seal of Fortuna.*

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*Mike Johnson,  
Mayor, City of Fortuna*