Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

PROCLAMATION

recognizing

APRIL 2026 as GRANGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the Grange strengthens individuals, families, and communities through grassroots action, service, education, advocacy, and agricultural awareness; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 160 years, the Grange has played a significant role in the development of rural America and in the passage of important legislation across three centuries; and

WHEREAS, the strength of the Grange is built upon the vitality, visibility, and engagement of each community Grange across the Country; and

WHEREAS, the Grange of the 21st century continues to be an active force in thousands of neighborhoods nationwide, fostering connections among people, communities, and organizations—even during periods of social unrest and disruption; and

WHEREAS, the Grange is committed to cultivating the potential of families, children, youth, and adults of all ages, ethnicities, creeds, and backgrounds through programs and experiences that educate, engage, and enrich lives; and

WHEREAS, the Grange emphasizes active citizenship and encourages community involvement in the legislative process, strengthening the connection between citizens and their government; and

WHEREAS, the Grange provides opportunities for civil dialogue among people of diverse viewpoints, serving as a safe forum for exploring important social and legislative issues; and

WHEREAS, the Grange supports and strengthens hometowns through volunteerism, community engagement, and legislative advocacy, benefiting both rural and urban communities; and

WHEREAS, the Grange motto, *"In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity,"* continues to guide its mission of advocacy, service, and inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, Grange Month is an opportunity no only to celebrate Grange history, but to actively invest in our future by opening Grange doors, welcoming new members, strengthening existing Granges, and chartering new ones.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors proclaims April 2026 as **Grange Month**, in recognition of the many contributions made to Humboldt County and the State of California by Grange members through years of dedicated service. We encourage all residents to join us in honoring this well-deserved recognition.

Dated: April 14, 2026

Mike Wilson, Chair