BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-___

RESOLUTION EXPANDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, this resolution affirms the intent of the County of Humboldt to extend the term and expand the membership of a collaborative, countywide Fire Safe Council to oversee the maintenance and implementation of the Humboldt County Community Wildfire Protection Plan ("CWPP"); and

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors recognizes the value of maintaining and implementing the countywide CWPP for the development and implementation of community fire safe programs and activities between public agencies, non-profit organizations, local Fire Safe Councils and private sector landowners/participants within Humboldt County; and

WHEREAS, this resolution recognizes that the development of community-based CWPPs is a concept born out of the California Fire Safe Council whose mission is to be "California's leader in community wildfire risk reduction and resiliency"; and

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the formation and maintenance of a countywide Fire Safe Council furthers the goals of the National Fire Protection Association's Firewise Communities program which encourages local solutions for wildfire safety by involving homeowners, community leaders, planners, developers, firefighters and others in the effort to protect people and property from the risk of wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, through the continuation of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council, shall encourage the development of sustainable local Fire Safe Councils, Firewise Communities, local fire departments, and other similar groups, agencies, and organizations dedicated to reducing the vulnerability of communities to damaging wildfires and promoting wildfire resilience activities in accordance with management principles which protect and enhance the forest, range and watershed values of our coastal communities, interior valleys, and mountain ecosystems.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby extends the term of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council for an additional sixty (60) months from the date of adoption of this resolution, subject to the following provisions:

A. <u>ESTABLISHMENT OF FIRE SAFE COUNCIL</u>:

A committee for the County of Humboldt, to be known as the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council, has been established pursuant to Section 26152 of the California Government Code.

B. <u>PURPOSE</u>:

The purpose of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council is to oversee the maintenance and implementation of the CWPP and, when appropriate, to inform and make recommendations

to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

Consistent with its purpose, the mission of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council is to:

- Serve as a forum for the implementation of the measures outlined in the CWPP
- Share fire-safety related information,
- Assess fire risk,
- Promote community fire-safe planning and coordination,
- Link fire-prevention programs,
- Support beneficial fire (prescribed fire, cultural burning, and managed wildfire where appropriate), and
- Support the fire service (including local volunteer fire departments and companies) and local Fire Safe Councils/Firewise Communities.

C. APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF MEMBERS:

The committee shall consist of twenty-three (24) members; twenty (21) of which shall be voting members and three (3) of which shall be non-voting members:

1. Three (3) non-voting members shall be appointed as follows: The Public Works Director or designee shall act as liaison for communication between the committee and the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors and one (1) member from both the Six Rivers National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management shall act as federal liaisons.

2. Five (5) of the voting members shall be appointed as follows: each member of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors shall appoint one (1) member. Such members need not reside in the supervisorial district of the appointing Supervisor.

3. Sixteen (16) of the voting members appointed shall include representatives nominated by each of the following groups: Local FSC/Firewise Community (3); Humboldt County Department of Planning & Building (1); Humboldt County Fire Chiefs' Association (1); Southern Humboldt Fire Chiefs' Association (1); California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (1); Tribes (2); Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services (1); University of California Cooperative Extension (1); California State Parks (1); Humboldt County Prescribed Burn Association (1); Humboldt County Resource Conservation District (1); Timber Industry (1), North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District (1).

4. All voting members shall serve terms that shall commence on the date of their appointment and shall expire sixty (60) months from the date this Resolution is adopted by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors. The committee voting members shall serve at the pleasure of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors. The voting members shall designate a Chair and Vice Chair from the voting members.

5. A designated alternate or alternates shall be appointed for each voting member as needed and serve terms that commence on the date of their appointment and expire sixty (60) months from the date this Resolution is adopted by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors. Alternates shall vote only in the absence of their associated Fire Safe

Council member.

D. FUNCTIONS:

The Humboldt County Fire Safe Council shall work collaboratively among its members and partners and serve in an advisory capacity to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. The committee shall oversee the maintenance and implementation of the CWPP and consider related Fire Safe Council matters within the authority of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

2. The committee shall encourage development of sustainable local Fire Safe Councils, Firewise Communities, local fire departments, and other similar wildfire preparedness groups, and broad voluntary participation on the part of such groups, private landowners, non-profit organizations and public agency partnerships.

3. The committee shall provide support for the pursuit of funding that meets one (1) or more of the goals and objectives outlined in the CWPP.

E. MEETINGS:

1. The committee shall hold quarterly meetings at the call of the Chair at such place as is designated by the Chair. More frequent meetings may be held, or subcommittees may be formed and hold meetings, as necessary to ensure a consistent effort to implement the measures outlined in the CWPP.

2. A special committee meeting may be called at any time by the Chair. Such special meeting shall be effective for the transaction of business only if a quorum is present. Only subject(s) mentioned in the call of such special meeting shall be considered at the meeting.

3. Eleven (11) voting members of the committee shall constitute a quorum. No official action may be taken by said committee without a quorum.

4. All meetings of said committee shall be open to the public. Subject to reasonable restrictions by the Chair as to order of presentation, length of time and subject matter, any person may be allowed to express himself at a committee meeting regarding business of the committee.

F. REMOVAL OF MEMBERS FOR FAILURE TO ATTEND MEETINGS:

A committee member absent from three (3) consecutive scheduled committee meetings without appropriate and reasonable excuse may be removed from the committee and a new member may be appointed pursuant to the appointment provisions of this resolution.

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Dated: _____

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Supervisor Mike Wilson, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Adopted on motion by Supervisor_____, Seconded by Supervisor _____, and the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors: --
NAYES: Supervisors: --
ABSENT: Supervisors: --
ABSTAIN: Supervisors: --

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
County of Humboldt

I, Tracy Damico, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of the original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California as the same now appears of record in my Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.

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KALEIGH MAFFEI
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt, State of California