PROCLAMATION

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, women of every culture and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of Humboldt County in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, local women have furthered the cause of freedom through a variety of means, and seek a fair and just society for all, while continuing to work for peace around the world; and

WHEREAS, the history of Humboldt County women is an expansive story of outstanding individuals, who sacrificed much and worked hard in pursuit of a better world, where peace, dignity, and opportunity can reign; such as the work of Sara Johnson, the first woman lighthouse keeper in California, right here on the Samoa Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, women of Humboldt continue to be particularly important in the establishment of charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, women have shaped our community by shouldering the care and nurturing of families, while furthering equality and administering justice in every corner of our community through volunteering in schoolrooms, boardrooms, courtrooms, environmental organizations, and more; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been repeatedly overlooked and often undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history.

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVOED**, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that March, 2023 is designated as *Women's History Month* in Humboldt County, and encourages all residents to learn more about these important contributions, and to celebrate the legacies of all women, everywhere.

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STEVE MADRONE, Chair