PROCLAMATION

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, Small business owners and Main Street businesses have vigor and a passion for what they do. America's progress is driven by pioneers who think big, take risks, and work hard; and

WHEREAS, from the storefront shops that anchor downtown areas, to the tech startups that keep America on the cutting edge, small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the cornerstones of our nation's promise; and

WHEREAS, when we support small business, jobs are created, and local communities preserve their unique culture; and

WHEREAS, because this country's 33 million small businesses create nearly two out of three jobs in our economy, we cannot resolve ourselves to create jobs and spur economic growth in America without discussing ways to support our entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed "National Small Business Week" every year since 1963 to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs through the U.S. Small Business Administration and other government agencies; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt County, alongside the Arcata, Fortuna, Greater Eureka, McKinleyville and Southern Humboldt Chambers of Commerce, supports and joins in this national effort to help America's small businesses do what they do best – grow their business, create jobs, and ensure our communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, in partnership with the Arcata, Fortuna, Greater Eureka, McKinleyville and Southern Humboldt Chambers of Commerce, do hereby proclaim April 30-May 6, 2023 as "National Small Business Week" in the County of Humboldt, and encourage all citizens to continue their support of small business week now and throughout the year.

DATED: May 16, 2023

Steve Madrone, Chair