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## **RESOLUTION** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, Christian Nielsen began his esteemed career at the County of Humboldt as a Substitute Map Drafting Technician II on August 8, 1988; his status changed from "Substitute" to "Permanent"; on May 1, 1989; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nielsen worked for Chandler Engineering as Draftsman before his employment with the County of Humboldt from January 1984-1987, and a part-time summer job with PG& E as an Electric Mapper from April 1986 to October 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nielsen received employee of the month recognition for his outstanding performance on March 29, 1990, where he received a special "Employee of the Month" parking space for a month; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nielsen received a commendation letter for a job well done by the Board of Supervisors on January 12, 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Nielsen was the office's unofficial "seasonal ambassador" who took it upon himself to decorate the reception area for Christmas and other holiday occasions, whether it be the tree with Humboldt point of interest historic postcards, Leprechauns and clover, or Fall/Thanksgiving motif; and

WHEREAS, in the wake of the shaded parcel controversy and the lawsuit settlement, Mr. Nielsen embarked on the critical task of performing preliminary parcel status checks for all planning and building applications for new development, helping both applicants and the Department to comply with state subdivision law; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Nielsen developed and maintained a record-keeping system to assist the Department's Code Compliance unit in documenting citizen complaints and to communicate with and track the success in obtaining voluntary compliance in the resolution of the verified problems by property owners; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nielsen's dependability, institutional knowledge, and precision with his work products have proven to be an invaluable resource for the Planning and Building Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nielsen's positive attitude and dedication has earned the admiration and respect of his colleagues for his dedication, collegiality, enthusiasm, professionalism, sense of humor, smiling face, and hard work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nielsen was born in the building he has worked at since 1988, and we believe he was born to work for the Planning and Building Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Nielsen, Permit Technician II, will retire on August 11, 2023, after completing 35 outstanding years of service for the County of Humboldt.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors and citizens of Humboldt County hereby commend and thank Christian Nielsen for his dedication and service to the citizens of Humboldt County and wish him a long and prosperous retirement.

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Dated: August 8, 2023

Chair, Steve Madrone