

City of Eureka

# Proclamation



In recognition of

## COASTAL CLEANUP MONTH *September 2023*

- Whereas,* the State of California has a varied coastline of sandy beaches, rocky shores, productive estuaries, marshes, tidal flats, urban areas and harbors; *and*
- Whereas,* the marine environment is one of the most valuable resources for recreation, tourism, fishing and other coastal activities. Coastal protection is a responsibility shared by residents, the business community and public institutions; *and*
- Whereas,* the Northcoast Environmental Center is the Humboldt County organizer for 2023 Coastal Cleanup Month taking place every weekend in September, during which an anticipated 1,000 people will clean beaches, rivers, streets and estuaries along the entire Humboldt coastline. Neighborhood cleanups, where trash is collected from streets, sidewalks, and urban areas helps prevent plastics and other debris from collecting in ocean and marine habitats; *and*
- Whereas,* the Northcoast Environmental Center's Adopt-A-Beach, began in Humboldt County over 40 years ago and is now celebrated throughout California and around the world. Last year, Humboldt County volunteers picked up over 3,500 pounds of trash from our shoreline and coastal region; *and*
- Whereas,* residents can be proud that year after year Humboldt County continues to be among the state's leaders in the number of volunteers who help keep our ocean, rivers and coastline clean.

**Now, therefore, I, Mayor Kim Bergel, on behalf of the Eureka City Council,** do hereby proclaim September 2023 as Coast Clean Up Month and encourages individuals, businesses, service groups and public institutions to safely "hit the beach" to jointly promote a healthy and productive coastal environment.

Kim Bergel  
Mayor  
September 5, 2023