## Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

RECOGNIZING THE STAFFS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has established an employee recognition program to publicly show support to employees for their outstanding efforts on behalf of the residents of the County of Santa Cruz; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 our community was faced with monumental challenges including the COVID-19 global pandemic, as well as the CZU Lightning Complex fires; and

WHEREAS, each County Department employee deserves recognition for their dedication to continue providing uninterrupted services to the public and in many cases support our local residents during this time as Disaster Service Workers; and

WHEREAS, staffs in the Board of Supervisors Office helped to manage the County's response to the fires and collaborated with county, state, and federal agencies as well as with non-profits to ensure that our community members who had lost so much received the assistance and support that they desperately needed; and

WHEREAS, staff fielded calls non-stop and worked tirelessly under impossible conditions to get information out to the public during the fires as well as connect community members with the most up to date information about the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccination; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to continue to have a presence for their districts in spite of stay-at-home orders and social distancing requirements, adaptations were made to improve remote access for constituents through video-conference town hall meetings and regular talks with community members and neighborhood groups.

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce McPherson, Chair of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, hereby honor and recognize the staff of the Board of Supervisors for their dedicated service on behalf of the County of Santa Cruz.



Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

February 23, 2021

Date