RESOLUTION NO. 25-

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 50 TO TEMPORARILY AUTHORIZE CHANGES TO CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT MAPS AND AFFIRM PRINCIPLES OF FAIR AND DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS NATIONWIDE

WHEREAS, the principles of fair and democratic elections are fundamental to democracy; and

WHEREAS, California has led the nation with its independent Citizens Redistricting Commission which draws district lines according to nonpartisan standards through a transparent public process; and

WHEREAS, recently, efforts in other states, such as Texas, have adopted new congressional redistricting plans prior to the standard ten-year redistricting timeline and process, and such unprecedented plans have raised concerns about gerrymandering and partisan bias; and

WHEREAS, in response to these unprecedented efforts, the California Legislature has placed Proposition 50 on the statewide ballot as a legislative constitutional amendment to ensure California's congressional districting process promotes fairness with respect to the 2026 midterm elections; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 50 provides that California will revert to the Independent Commission to draw boundaries after the 2030 Census; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has committed to covering the costs to the County of Mendocino for this special election; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors supports the principles of fair and representative democratic process and affirms support for Proposition 50 as necessary in response to the actions in other states which attempt to undermine nonpartisan congressional redistricting processes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors hereby supports California Proposition 50, to be voted on at the statewide special election on November 4, 2025; supports the temporary implementation of legislatively drawn congressional maps from 2026 until the Citizens Redistricting Commission draws new maps following the 2030 U.S. Census; and affirms its support for fair, independent, and nonpartisan redistricting nationwide and urges the U.S. Congress to adopt reforms that prevent partisan gerrymandering across all 50 states.

		ced by Supervisor , seconded by Supervisor , 2025, by the following vote:
AYES NOES ABSE	:	
WHEF	REUPON, the Chair declared	I said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.
ATTEST:	DARCIE ANTLE Clerk of the Board	JOHN HASCHAK, Chair Mendocino County Board of Supervisors
Deputy		I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.
APPROVED AS TO FORM: CHARLOTTE E. SCOTT County Counsel		BY: DARCIE ANTLE Clerk of the Board
		Deputy