

PROCLAMATION
OF THE
MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RECOGNIZING APRIL 2023 AS ALCOHOL AWARENESS
MONTH IN MENDOCINO COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence established Alcohol Awareness Month in 1987 to increase awareness by spreading information locally, statewide and nationwide; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 95,000 people (approximately 68,000 men and 27,000 women) die from alcohol-related causes annually, making alcohol the third leading preventable cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, young people who begin drinking before age 15 are more than 40% more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking after age 18; and

WHEREAS, 5,000 youth under age 21 die annually from alcohol related injuries involving underage drinking, which includes motor vehicle crashes, homicides, and suicides; and

WHEREAS, California averages one alcohol-related death for every 2,777 adults over 18 or 3.6 deaths for every 10,000 adults; and

WHEREAS, each year, 97,000 sexual assaults among American college students involve alcohol; and

WHEREAS, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and community partners, are dedicated to providing substance use disorders treatment, raising awareness of statistics, and educating the community about the causes and effects of alcoholism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby proclaims April, 2023, as:

“National Alcohol Awareness Month in Mendocino County”

Dated: April 11, 2023

Glenn McGourty, Chair