

PROCLAMATION
OF THE
MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RECOGNIZING
Glenn McGourty

WHEREAS, Glenn McGourty has worked as the University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Wine Growing and Plant Science Farm Advisor since September 1987 to the present in Mendocino County. As an educator and applied researcher, he has conducted programs in wine grapes, nursery crops, landscape, vegetables, and specialty crops throughout his 33 years of service; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure Mr. McGourty was the Mendocino County UCCE Director from June 1993 to October 1997 and again served July 2017 to the present. As the Director he was responsible for developing and administering budgets, spearheading community relations, managing staff, representing his office at Mendocino County Department Heads meetings and UCCE County Director meetings; and

WHEREAS, he was co-founder and steering committee member of the Mendocino Bounty Showcase of local agricultural products, wine, value added products and food cuisine (1989-1994); a founding board member and grant writer for the Mendocino County Promotional Alliance (1996-2000); serves on the Technical Advisory Committee for the Ukiah Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (2018-Present); is a member and technical crop advisor on agronomic issues for the Mendocino County Industrial Hemp Stakeholders Group (2019-Present); and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGourty achieved recognition as a University lecturer both nationally and internationally, has been honored with numerous awards throughout his career and as a County resident has volunteered his time to public service in the community with the most notable being on the Ukiah Unified School District Board of Trustees. He is a County farmer growing walnuts, olives and wine grapes organically on his Spirit Canyon Ranch; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGourty has announced he will be retiring on July 1, 2020 from his distinguished professional career serving Mendocino County as an agricultural advisor with the University of California Cooperative Extension.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby recognizes the dedicated work and service provided by Glenn McGourty and wishes him the very best in his retirement.

Dated: June 23, 2020

John Haschak, Chair