

PROCLAMATION

OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2023 ARTS CHAMPION
AWARDS AS NOMINATED BY THE COMMUNITY AND SELECTED
BY THE ARTS COUNCIL OF MENDOCINO COUNTY:**

**PEAR TREE CENTER/CIRE EQUITY, BUSINESS CHAMPION;
SOLANGE ROBERDEAU, ARTIST CHAMPION;
JESSICA THOMPSON, INDIVIDUAL CHAMPION;
DOUG BROWE, IN MEMORIAM EDUCATOR CHAMPION**

WHEREAS, the Arts Council of Mendocino County's mission is to promote the arts and cultivate creativity to benefit and enrich the lives of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino celebrates and recognizes the role of the arts in strengthening local economies and enhancing quality of life; and

WHEREAS, National Arts & Humanities Month in October encourages everyone to appreciate art, explore the diverse cultures around us, and reflect on how art enriches our lives; and

WHEREAS, Pear Tree Center/CIRE Equity, Solange Roberdeau, Jess Thompson, and Doug Browe (in memoriam) have expanded opportunities for arts participation, education, and investment in a creative economy, and create an environment for outstanding achievement through the arts in ways that significantly benefit the wider community, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino hereby recognizes Pear Tree Center/Cire Equity, Solange Roberdeau, Jess Thompson, and Doug Browe as the 2023 Arts Champions of Mendocino County, and calls upon its citizens to honor the contributions these individuals and organizations have made to enrich the cultural life of our county.

Dated: October 31, 2023

Glenn McGourty, Chair