

**PROCLAMATION**  
**OF THE**  
**MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**RECOGNIZING THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH**  
**ANNIVERSARY OF THE**  
**FORT BRAGG GUEST HOUSE MUSEUM**

WHEREAS, Whereas the Fort Bragg Guest House Museum was constructed in 1892 to serve as the personal residence of Charles Russell Johnson, founder of the Fort Bragg Redwood Company, a precursor to the Union Lumber Company; and

WHEREAS, prior to completion, Mr. Johnson directed that the house serve as a guest house for visiting company officials and VIP visitors to the Fort Bragg mill and logging sites; and

WHEREAS, the Guest House was constructed of the finest local redwood and Douglas fir products and served as a showcase for local wood products and craftsmanship; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Bragg Redwood Company became the Union Lumber Company in 1905, and was later sold to the Georgia-Pacific Corporation, which began use of the Guest House as a museum; and

WHEREAS, the Guest House was donated to the City of Fort Bragg in 1985 on the condition that it continue to be used as a museum for the Fort Bragg and Mendocino County community; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Bragg-Mendocino Coast Historical Society was formed to assist in preserving local history and to assist the City of Fort Bragg by assuming responsibility for operating the Guest House Museum; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg has recently completed significant maintenance projects to preserve and protect the Guest House Museum for the continued enjoyment of local residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby recognizes the One Hundred Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Fort Bragg Guest House Museum; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors recognizes and commends the City of Fort Bragg for its commitment to local history by restoring the Guest House Museum; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors encourages all local residents and visitors to take the opportunity to visit the Fort Bragg Guest House Museum and contribute to its continued operation as a means of preserving and interpreting local history.

Dated: October 3, 2017

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John McCowen, Chair