PROCLAMATION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING JAMES C. EDDIE

WHEREAS, James C. Eddie was appointed by the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) after serving 5 Terms in office as the Third District Supervisor. He began his service with the District on January 6, 1995, and served with distinction for 24 years; and

WHEREAS, Director Eddie was elected by the Board of Directors (Board) to serve as its Second Vice President during the years of 2009 and 2010, and as its First Vice President during the years 2011 and 2012; and then he was elected by the Board to serve as its 40th President during the years 2013 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, he provided invaluable contributions relative to the creation of the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) District and he was the first of two District representatives appointed to serve on the SMART Board from 2004 until his retirement on January 16, 2019; and

WHEREAS, during Director Eddie's tenure, the District obtained funding to award contracts for significant projects, such as: the Golden Gate Bridge Seismic Retrofit Phases I, II, IIIA and IIIB; the Public Safety Railing project; the Moveable Median Barrier project; the All Electronic Toll Collection project; the San Francisco Bus Facility project; the Golden Gate Physical Suicide Deterrent Net System project; and, the San Rafael Transit Center Relocation project; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as President, he provided outstanding leadership to the management team and his colleagues on the Board for several key initiatives including: the continuation of the Golden Gate Bridge Seismic Retrofit; the strategies for bus security systems; the implementation of the Advanced Communications Information System to upgrade and replace equipment; the installation of Wi-Fi technology on buses and ferryboats; the introduction of a District-wide electronic records management system; the refurbishment of vessels in the ferry fleet; the launch of all electronic tolling on the Golden Gate Bridge; the establishment of a parking fee system at the Larkspur Ferry Terminal; and the District's vision for achieving long-term financial stability; and

WHEREAS, Director Eddie contributed his energy, ability and devotion to matters pertaining to the District, by serving as a member of the six Standing Committees and several additional Advisory Committees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to James C. Eddie for his dedicated 24 years of service and outstanding commitment as their representative to the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District.

Dated: May 21, 2019



Carre Brown, Chair

