

## RESOLUTION NO. 16-140

### RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPTING THE SONOMA-MENDOCINO COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND ENDORSING THE SONOMA-MENDOCINO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATION

WHEREAS, Sonoma County and Mendocino County are facing many similar challenges and opportunities related to regional economic development, including topics such as economic diversification, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and equity; and

WHEREAS, Sonoma County and Mendocino County have entered into a joint powers agreement to create the Sonoma-Mendocino Economic Development District (SMEDD) to work together on regional economic development initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma-Mendocino Economic Development District has completed a comprehensive economic development strategy (CEDS)—*Innovate, Sustain, and Compete*—identifying goals and strategies that will result in measurable improvement to the Sonoma-Mendocino regional economy and quality of life for residents; and

WHEREAS, SMEDD proposes to apply to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) to be designated as a federally-recognized Economic Development District, which will make the Sonoma-Mendocino region eligible to apply for funding under EDA's Partnership Planning program to implement the CEDS; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the proposed designated Economic Development District will include Sonoma County and Mendocino County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts the Sonoma-Mendocino CEDS and endorses SMEDD's application to EDA for designation as a federally-recognized Economic Development District.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor McCowen, seconded by Supervisor Hamburg, and carried this 6th day of December, 2016, by the following vote:

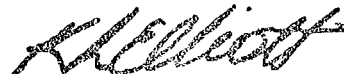
AYES: Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Gjerde, and Hamburg  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Supervisor Woodhouse

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST: CARMEL J. ANGELO  
Clerk of the Board

  
Deputy


APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
KATHARINE L. ELLIOTT  
County Counsel

  
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DAN GJERDE, Chair  
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

BY: CARMEL J. ANGELO  
Clerk of the Board

  
Deputy