

PROCLAMATION
OF THE
MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RECOGNIZING JUNE 2020 AS
ELDER AND DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE
PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, all citizens, especially the most vulnerable citizens, should be able to live safe secure lives, without fear, neglect, pain, or exploitation; and

WHEREAS, elder and dependent adults deserve to be treated with respect, dignity, and to be free from harm to enable them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers, and vital participating members of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the personal losses associated with abuse can be devastating and include the loss of independence, homes, life savings, health, dignity, and security; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that only 1 in 14 cases of elder and dependent adult abuse are reported; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 in Mendocino County, Adult Protective Services received 1089 reports of abuse and/or neglect of elders and dependent adults;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby proclaims June, 2020, as:

“Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Prevention Awareness Month”

Dated: June 10, 2020

John Haschak, Chair