

PROCLAMATION

OF THE

MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2021 ARTS CHAMPION AWARDS AS
NOMINATED BY THE COMMUNITY AND SELECTED BY THE ARTS COUNCIL OF
MENDOCINO COUNTY: BLACK OAK COFFEE ROASTERS, BUSINESS CHAMPION;
GUALALA ARTS, ARTS ORGANIZATION; CORINE PEARCE, ARTIST CHAMPION;
LARRY R. WAGNER, INDIVIDUAL CHAMPION; BLAKE MORE, EDUCATOR CHAMPION;
AND HONORABLE MENTION: MEDIUM GALLERY**

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, Black Oak Coffee has been selected as the 2021 Business Arts Champion, having supported more than 100 community organizations making a difference in Mendocino County; and

WHEREAS, Corine Pearce is a 2021 Arts Champion in the Artist category for her tireless work to revitalize local tribal arts and traditions. Her weaving heals and restores both the land and the people, connecting future generations to a living cultural identity; and

WHEREAS, Gualala Arts is a 2021 Arts Champion in the Arts Organization category for its years of diverse arts programming and for never abandoning its mission to support and encourage arts in the community of the South Coast; and

WHEREAS, Larry R. Wagner is the 2021 Mendocino County Arts Champion in the Individual category, for his contributions as a major donor, supporter, and volunteer for the arts over many decades; and

WHEREAS, Blake More is the 2021 Arts Champion in the Educator category for sharing her powerful and engaging talents in literary arts, digital media, performing arts, fashion design and more with thousands of Mendocino County students, and specifically for her work with the California Poets in the Schools, Poetry Out Loud, and the Get Arts in the Schools Program; and

WHEREAS, MEDIUM Gallery is Honorably Mentioned for their grit and determination to open an inviting and professional gallery during the pandemic, for their inclusive vision, and thought-provoking calls for entry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby proclaims November 9th, 2021, as a day to celebrate the recipients of the Arts Council of Mendocino County Arts Champion award.

Dated: November 9th, 2021

Dan Gjerde, Chair