

# *PROCLAMATION*

## **Mayors' Day of Recognition for National Service**

**WHEREAS**, service to others is a hallmark of the American character and central to how we meet many challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, the nation's mayors are increasingly turning to national services and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to help meet city needs; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and nation, from supporting parents in raising healthy children and educating students for the jobs of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, to preserving the environment and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, FIRST 5 Mendocino and Alliance for Rural Community Health are deeply committed to the health and well-being of our community by using resources wisely through national service participants; and

**WHEREAS**, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

**WHEREAS**, national service participants serve in more than 70,000 locations across the country through a unique public-private partnership to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, Community HealthCorps and AmeriCorps member volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service- a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and joined with mayors across the country to support the Mayors' Day of Recognition for National Service on April 7, 2015.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dave Turner**, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim **April 7, 2015**, as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our community, to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to our community.

**SIGNED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.**

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**DAVE TURNER, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Cynthia M. VanWormer, MMC, City Clerk**

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