

RESOLUTION NO. XXXX-2025

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL APPROVING LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CITY COMMITMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg acknowledges that the land on which we stand today is the unceded traditional territory of the local Indigenous People past and present; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg recognizes that acknowledging the land is only a first step toward honoring Indigenous history, culture, and contributions, and that meaningful partnerships and actions are essential to advancing reconciliation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg acknowledges the critical importance of traditional Pomo methods of preservation of our land, waters, and sky; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg recognizes the sovereignty of the Pomo People, who are the original stewards of this land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg values and seeks to support, the many ways in which the Pomo People are working to preserve and revitalize Pomo culture, such as oral histories, dances, songs, regalia, basketry, and the Northern Pomo language;

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg affirms its commitment to fostering an inclusive community that supports equity, healing, and justice for Native Peoples and their descendants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED by the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg that for reasons set forth herein, the City of Fort Bragg commits to:

1. Consult regularly with the governing body of the Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians, as well as other tribal communities, on initiatives, issues, or items of concern; and
2. Raise visibility and public awareness of the history and contemporary presence of the Native population of our area; and
3. Collaborate with local Indigenous People, local schools, and State and Regional partners to enhance education on the history and contemporary lifeways of local Indigenous People.
4. Prioritize meaningful engagement by inviting Indigenous leaders to participate in advisory roles when developing policies or projects that impact the environment, cultural resources, or local heritage; and

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Council member, seconded by Councilmember, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 28th day of April, 2025, by the following vote:

**AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSED:**

JASON GODEKE
Mayor

ATTEST:

**Diana Paoli,
City Clerk**