## **RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_-2022**

## RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

**WHEREAS,** a recent study from the Workplace Bullying Institute showed that the "Prevalence of bullying is up 57 percent from 2017, and nearly 60 million Americans have been affected by bullying;" and

**WHEREAS**, the negative consequences of bullying are significant, in extreme cases leading to self-harm by victims or violence against others, including the bully; and

**WHEREAS**, in a 2011 justice survey of law enforcement agencies around the United States, bullying was identified by 60 percent of the agencies as one of their top concerns;

**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 recognizes that bullying in all forms is a serious problem and often has serious and lasting consequences, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the City of Fort Bragg supports an evidence-based anti-bullying policy to eliminate bullying, educate City employees and residents on the consequences of bullying and teach victims and perpetrators through an anti-bullying intervention policy, attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the City of Fort Bragg commits to working collaboratively with other local organizations, including the school district to develop and implement a holistic anti-bullying initiative.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember, seconded by Councilmember, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 26th day of September, 2022 by the following vote:	
AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN: RECUSED:	
ATTEST:	BERNIE NORVELL Mayor

June Lemos, MMC

City Clerk