

PROCLAMATION

RHODODENDRON WEEK

May 2 – May 8, 2016

WHEREAS, the Mendocino Coast area, because of its climate and soils, produces more varieties of rhododendrons – including its wild species – than any other area in California; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bragg is famous for its many beautiful rhododendron gardens including the Mendocino Coast Botanical Garden and many rhododendron nurseries; and

WHEREAS, many rhododendrons have been locally hybridized with names such as ‘Fort Bragg Centennial’, ‘Noyo Chief’, ‘Noyo Dream’, ‘Pomo Princess’, ‘Elsie Fry’, ‘Ruby Bowman’, ‘Doctor Bowman’, ‘Fort Bragg Glow’, ‘Jim Drewry’, ‘General Braxton Bragg’, ‘Noyo Charm’, ‘Mendocino Gold’ and ‘Mendocino Magic’; and

WHEREASE, ‘Noyo Mist’ was recently hybridized and registered by Phil & Lucy Johnson, and ‘Len’s Pacific Foam’ by Ken & Nodja Jones, local residents; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Noyo Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society is to encourage and develop, in all possible ways, interest in the growing and culture of rhododendrons and azaleas; and

WHEREAS, the 39th Annual John Druecker Memorial Rhododendron Show – one of the largest rhododendron shows on the west coast with over 700 entries entered annually – will be held on May 7th and 8th, 2016 at our local Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVE TURNER, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, do hereby proclaim the week of May 2 – May 8, 2016 as:

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SIGNED this 25th day of April, 2016.

DAVE TURNER, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos
City Clerk

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