

RESOLUTION NO. ____-2017

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL ENDORISING MEASURE B – THE “MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT ACT”

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2017, a special election will be held for voters throughout Mendocino County to approve adding Chapter 5.180 to the Mendocino County Code entitled the “Mental Health Treatment Act,” also known as Measure B; and

WHEREAS, Measure B establishes a County transaction (sales) and use tax for the specific purpose of funding improved services, treatment and facilities for persons with mental health conditions; and

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2017, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino adopted a resolution to submit to the voters an Ordinance adding Chapter 5.180 to the Mendocino County Code; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 5.180 adopts a sales and use tax of one-half percent (0.5%) for five (5) years and thereafter reduced to one-eighth cent (0.125%) for the specific purpose of funding improved services, treatment and facilities for persons with mental health conditions; and

WHEREAS, Measure B establishes an 11-member commission which will guide how the expected \$25 Million in funds will be spent throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg acknowledges the need for improved mental health services both in the City of Fort Bragg and throughout Mendocino County; and

WHEREAS, based on all the evidence presented, the City Council finds as follows:

1. No Mental Health facility or treatment has been available in Mendocino County since 2000.
2. The residents and visitors to Fort Bragg will benefit from improved County mental health support and services including a new facility and early treatment of mental illness and drug addiction, breaking the cycle of homelessness and re-incarceration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby endorse Measure B, the “Mental Health Treatment Act,” and encourages voters to support the Measure in the upcoming November 7, 2017 election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg recommends that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino appoint at least one person to serve on the new commission to represent the City Council and residents of the City of Fort Bragg.

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 23rd day of October, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:

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

LINDY PETERS
Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, CMC
City Clerk