PROCLAMATION

RECOGNIZING

"STORM WATER AWARENESS WEEK"

SEPTEMBER 24-28, 2018

WHEREAS, storm water runoff typically drains directly into our local rivers and the Pacific Ocean with no treatment; and

WHEREAS, pollution in storm water runoff – such as pesticides, fertilizers, oils, plastic packaging, litter, pet waste, cigarette butts, and eroded soils – are a significant source of surface water contamination in the nation's waterways; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act, the City of Fort Bragg is required to implement a Storm Water Management Program to minimize polluted storm water runoff entering local wetlands, rivers and streams, and the ocean from the City of Fort Bragg; and

WHEREAS, public education and community involvement is an essential component to increase public awareness about stormwater issues, minimize storm water pollution, and to effectively manage the City's Storm Water Program; and

WHEREAS, the City is undertaking annual stormdrain inlet inspections and cleanouts, re-marking the drain inlets with brass medallions, and hosting a Stormwater Art Contest for grades TK-5 in effort to engage and inform the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lindy Peters, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of September 24-28, 2018, as Storm Water Awareness Week and recognize the first place winners of the Art Contest for their hard work to illustrate the importance of clean stormwater through art.

SIGNED this 24th day of September, 2018

LINDY PETERS, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

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