

P R O C L A M A T I O N

Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the C.V. Starr Community Center and Proclaiming the Month of August 2019 as Healthy Fun for Everyone in Fort Bragg

WHEREAS, the first public swimming pool in Fort Bragg was built at the Old Rec Center (next to City Hall) in 1922; and

WHEREAS, 50 years later, members of the Mendocino Coast Community dreamed of building a new pool for everyone to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, in 1978, using Park Bond Act monies, Mendocino Recreation and Park District (MCRPD) obtained a five-acre parcel known as Green Memorial Field in central Fort Bragg to build the facility; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the very generous donations of the Starr Foundation and Harry and Sigrid Spath, many others from throughout our Fort Bragg Community, the Mendocino Coast, the County and the State of California were inspired to contribute to the project; and

WHEREAS, after years of fundraising activities and events, many donations from local residents were also received; and

WHEREAS, tireless efforts by a multitude of people resulted in accomplishing the goal of building an outstanding Community Center, and construction began in 2006; and

WHEREAS, in August of 2009, the C.V. Starr Community Center and Sigrid and Harry Spath Aquatic Facility opened to the public, and the dream had finally become reality; and

WHEREAS, the C.V. Starr Center is home to two pools, fitness and dance rooms, conference rooms and the MCRPD business offices; and

WHEREAS, the founding of the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District (led by Tessie Branscomb) and the formation of the 501(c)(3) organization, Friends of the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District, were also accomplished; and

WHEREAS, August 10, 2019 is the 10th Anniversary of the opening of an outstanding public facility in the City of Fort Bragg;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William V. Lee, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, on behalf of the entire City Council, celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the C.V. Starr Community Center, and hereby proclaim the Month of August 2019 as Healthy Fun for Everyone Month in Fort Bragg.

SIGNED this 22nd day of July, 2019

WILLIAM V. LEE, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

No. 13-2019