



## COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION  
DRIVE, ROOM 102A  
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

### SUMMARY REPORT

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**Agenda Date:** 5/21/2024

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**Department or Agency Name(s):** Human Services

**Staff Name and Phone Number:** Mark Orlando 707-565-5955, Paul Dunaway 707-565-3673

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**Supervisory District(s):** Countywide

#### **Recommended Action:**

Adopt a Gold Resolution honoring Veterans of the armed services by recognizing May 27, 2024 as Memorial Day in Sonoma County.

#### **Executive Summary:**

There are over 22,500 Veterans in Sonoma County, as well as many families who have lost loved ones in service to our nation. This resolution recognizes May 27, 2024 as Memorial Day in Sonoma County in an acknowledgement of their sacrifices.

#### **Discussion:**

Memorial Day was first observed as Decoration Day on May 30, 1868 as an occasion to decorate the graves of Civil War Soldiers. After World War I, Decoration Day was expanded to honor service members killed in all of our nation's wars. After World War II, Decoration Day became known as Memorial Day, and in 1971, Congress established Memorial Day as a federal holiday to be observed on the last Monday in May.

As we observe this Memorial Day, it is important to reflect upon the contributions and sacrifices the men and women of our armed forces have made in upholding the principles of democracy and liberty while in service to our nation.

There are over 22,500 Veterans and numerous family members of veterans living in Sonoma County. It is fitting to honor and commend the citizens of Sonoma County, as well as the men and women that served with military units based in Sonoma County, who were killed in the line of duty. We can never fully repay our debt of gratitude to the heroic men and women who perished as a result of their service.

All active duty, veterans or retired military personnel and their dependents will be eligible for a waiver of the day use fees at all Sonoma County Regional Parks during Memorial Day weekend, Friday, May 24 through Monday, May 27, 2024. All other County park fees (e.g., camping, picnic area rental, etc.) will still apply.

#### **Prior Board Actions:**

Every year since May 2015, the Board has recognized Memorial Day and honored Sonoma County Veterans for their service.

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

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<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>FY 23-24 Adopted</b>	<b>FY 24-25 Projected</b>	<b>FY 25-26 Projected</b>
Budgeted Expenses			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Funding Sources</b>			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:**

None

<b>Staffing Impacts:</b>			
<b>Position Title (Payroll Classification)</b>	<b>Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)</b>	<b>Additions (Number)</b>	<b>Deletions (Number)</b>

**Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):**

None

**Attachments:**

Resolution

**Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:**

None