



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: July 14, 2026

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Honoring Stone Creek Zen Center On The Occasion Of Its 30th Anniversary.**

Whereas, Stone Creek Zen Center has provided a place of spiritual, personal and communal refuge and growth to residents of Sonoma County since 1996; and

Whereas, Stone Creek Zen Center's mission is to express, make accessible, and embody the wisdom and compassion of the Buddha Dharma as practiced in the tradition of Soto Zen; and

Whereas, Stone Creek Zen Center has been located in the West County communities of Sebastopol, Forestville and Graton; and

Whereas, Stone Creek provides a regular schedule of zazen (seated meditation) and Dharma talks and offers sesshin (intensive retreats); rituals and ceremonies; classes; work practice; dokusan (individual practice guidance); and pastoral counseling; and

Whereas, Stone Creek Zen Center is an active member of the Graton community, especially through supporting its neighbor, the Graton Day Labor Center / Centro Laboral de Graton, and work to revitalize the Graton Town Square; and

Whereas, members of Stone Creek have been active in support of human rights and migrant and immigrant communities, including by its participation in the Sonoma County Sanctuary Coalition; and

Whereas, Stone Creek offers outreach and support to Sonoma County residents through affinity groups that include Next Gen Zen for meditators and zen-curious newcomers who are in their 20s, 30s, and 40s, and by providing a space for the LGBTQ+ community to meet with peers through Queer Sangha Sonoma County

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors, recognizes the significant, positive service during the past 30 years by Stone Creek Zen Center to the County and its diverse, vibrant communities

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Rabbitt:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.