



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: March 22, 2022

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

Resolution of The Board of Supervisors of The County of Sonoma, State of California, Proclaiming March 13-19, 2022 as AmeriCorps Week.

Whereas, service is a hallmark of the American character and has the unique ability to bring people of all backgrounds together in common cause, and throughout our history citizens have stepped up to meet our most pressing challenges of the day by volunteering in their communities; and

Whereas, AmeriCorps provides opportunities for more than 250,000 Americans to serve their country through service at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups across the country; and

Whereas, in County of Sonoma, ten AmeriCorps members of various ages and backgrounds helped to meet local needs at nine locations in the County of Sonoma by responding to COVID-19, supporting veterans and military families, restoring the environment, responding to disasters, addressing food insecurity, and building and increasing capacity through volunteerism; and

Whereas, AmeriCorps members encourage collaboration and partnerships, leveraging millions of volunteers in service and acquiring the support of business, foundation, and other local partners to increase the effectiveness of their initiatives; and

Whereas, AmeriCorps members demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

Whereas, through their service, AmeriCorps members strengthen the lives of their families, communities, and the County of Sonoma as a whole; and

Whereas, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

Whereas, AmeriCorps Week is an opportunity to recognize the dedication and commitment of the more than 1.2 million Americans who have chosen to serve their country through AmeriCorps and

millions more who have served in AmeriCorps Seniors and their community partners, and to encourage more Americans to follow their footsteps in service;

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes March 13-19, 2022, as AmeriCorps Week in The County of Sonoma, and urge citizens to thank AmeriCorps members and alumni for their service and to find their own ways to give back to their communities.

Supervisors:

Gorin: Rabbitt: Coursey: Hopkins: Gore:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.