

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and throughout our history citizens have stepped up to meet challenges by volunteering in their communities; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps provides opportunities for nearly 270,000 Americans to serve their country through an intensive commitment to service at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups across the country; and

**WHEREAS,** AmeriCorps enriches the lives of its members, building habits that create engaged citizens who become participants in civic matters affecting their communities long after their service terms are completed; and

WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps members of Napa County Office of Education dedicate a year of their lives to service throughout California, by providing tutoring, mentoring support and active break activities to over 2,000 students in four school districts in both Sonoma and Napa Counties, and by supporting nonprofits, and educational organizations in Sonoma County and across the State of California by building volunteer capacity and engaging volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the various ages, backgrounds and experiences of AmeriCorps members helps to meet community needs through tutoring or mentoring children and youth, supporting seniors, veterans, and military families, and addressing various issues throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for their service, these members develop valuable work skills; earn money for continuing education; and strengthen the lives of their families, communities, and California as a whole; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps Week is an opportunity to recognize the dedication and commitment of the more than one million Americans who have chosen to serve their country through AmeriCorps and their community partners, and to encourage more Americans to follow their footsteps in service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that, I, Natalie Rogers, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim March 12-18, 2023 as AmeriCorps week.



Mayor Natalie Rogers March 14, 2023