



City of
Santa Rosa

Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1976 a few concerned citizens began an avian rescue group that became known as The Bird Rescue Center; the City of Santa Rosa recognizes the value and importance of the native wild birds that brighten our community; and

WHEREAS, in 1980 the County of Sonoma contracted with The Bird Rescue Center to establish a rehabilitation facility for sick, injured, and orphaned native wild birds. The Bird Rescue Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dependent on over 100 volunteers and on contributions including the use of a county-owned building; and

WHEREAS, for the past 40 years The Bird Rescue Center has rescued, rehabilitated, and released tens of thousands of native wild birds back into the environment. With the closure of other rehabilitation centers, The Bird Rescue Center is now admitting native wild birds from other counties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with its permits from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, The Bird Rescue Center provides a home for native wild birds that cannot be returned to the wild due to physical or psychological injuries; and

WHEREAS, The Bird Rescue Center does critical work in support of local and international wildlife conservation through mitigating negative human impacts on key species of birds including endangered species; and

WHEREAS, The Bird Rescue Center has for many years educated the public regarding the ecological importance and natural history of our native wild birds with scheduled group visits, monthly open houses, and at multiple public events

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, John Sawyer, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby express our appreciation to its many volunteers for their service and acknowledge October, 2016 as

THE BIRD RESCUE CENTER 40TH ANNIVERSARY



Mayor John Sawyer
October 18, 2016