

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, City Council and staff are committed to making Santa Rosa a healthy community where people feel safe to live, work and play; and

**WHEREAS**, to further this goal, the City partners with United Way of the Wine Country to hold an annual Employee Fund Drive with the proceeds being donated to the City's partner charitable organizations - United Way of the Wine Country, Community Health Charities, and EarthShare of California; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff volunteer time, energy and monies for events such as the online silent auction, free kick-off breakfast and fundraising luncheons; with proceeds from all events being donated to the partner organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff may participate by payroll deduction, wherein they automatically donate a portion of their salaries to the charitable organizations of their choice; and


**WHEREAS**, the City partners with the County of Sonoma to sponsor and participate in the annual Day of Caring, which includes opportunities to donate to the Redwood Empire Food Bank, Goodwill Industries, and Free Bookmobile of Sonoma County; give blood via the Blood Mobile for Blood Centers of the Pacific; and volunteer time to improve conditions in parks, clean up creeks, maintain trails, remove graffiti, and perform painting, landscaping and gardening at local non-profit agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 Day of Caring is focused on supporting projects benefiting housing and homeless services; and

**WHEREAS**, the annual Employee Fund Drive could not grow and thrive without the dedication of City staff and support of the City Council.

**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 proclaim the month of September to be the

**2016 EMPLOYEE FUND DRIVE MONTH**



Mayor John Sawyer  
August 30, 2016