



Proclamation

WHEREAS, The Redwood Empire Chinese Association is holding their 2017 Chinese New Year's Celebration at the Veteran's Memorial Building of Santa Rosa, California on February 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, we are appreciative of the important functions of this inter-cultural organization in the fields of cultural and language education by offering community participation, organizational networking, public interactions with intercultural activities, and their many additional events which bring members, friends and families into social contact and understanding with governmental agencies and diverse people through events such as their Chinese New Year Celebration, Pot Luck Socials, Multi-Cultural Poetry Reading, and Chinese Language School; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the outstanding work done by the Redwood Empire Chinese Association: for providing programs to children and youth by giving presentations to local schools from elementary through college levels; for providing children and teen Mandarin language classes; for providing two groups of youth dancers, one group of children dancers, two groups of Lion Dancers who also perform with three Dragons, and for providing opportunities for children from all of these troupes to perform at community events; for providing an active Youth Group which focuses on teen self-esteem and positive community involvement, and for the RECA annual scholarship for Sonoma County high school seniors; and

WHEREAS, we also acknowledge the benefit of the Redwood Empire Chinese Association's adult programs including the Adult Chorus, Adult Tai Chi Club, Seniors Mah Jong Club and RECA's community involvement in assisting governmental agencies, businesses and schools with requested assistance in matters concerning Chinese and Asian cultural and language issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Chris Coursey, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim a hearty acknowledgement of the successes of the

REDWOOD EMPIRE CHINESE ASSOCIATION



Mayor Chris Coursey
January 24, 2017