

PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION THOMAS LAPENNA

WHEREAS, Thomas “Tom” LaPenna was appointed to Housing Authority of the City of Santa Rosa in August 2021; and

WHEREAS, during Tom’s tenure on the Housing Authority, he contributed to the development, rehabilitation and conversion of hundreds of affordable housing units, including but not limited to Vigil Lights, Caritas Homes Phase I, Burbank Avenue Apartments, Hearn Veteran’s Village, South Park Commons, Laurel at Perennial Park Phase II, Parkwood Apartments, Mahonia Glen, Stony Point Flats, and others, and assured their continued affordability for future generations of Santa Rosa residents through ongoing compliance and monitoring; and

WHEREAS, those projects improved conditions throughout Santa Rosa, addressed the needs of homeless individuals, and provided working families with safe, affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, during Tom’s tenure the Housing Choice Voucher program earned the High Performing Agency award from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, providing ongoing rental assistance to over 2,000 households monthly; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, Tom served as the Chair of the Housing Authority, leading his colleagues through administrative and financial decisions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa, and the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Rosa have greatly benefited from Tom’s leadership, insight, and passion.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Tom is recognized as a consummate professional and will be remembered for the kindness and professionalism that he brought to the City of Santa Rosa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Thomas LaPenna will be greatly missed and is hereby commended for his three years of commitment and contributions to the City of Santa Rosa.

Chair, Housing Authority