



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, The Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force (MGPTF) is a collaborative effort involving private citizens; city, county and state governments; local community-based organizations; schools; parents; faith community; and local law enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, the focus of this work is to intervene in the lives of our youth to provide positive socialization opportunities as alternatives to criminal involvement; and

**WHEREAS**, the long-range goal of the MGPTF is to create a united and seamless service delivery system of shared accountability that links together all local gang prevention and intervention initiatives, thus creating a safety net effect aimed at preventing any youth from slipping through the cracks; and

**WHEREAS**, the MGPTF is working to standardize and implement a well-coordinated continuum of services aimed at keeping youth safe at schools, community centers, parks, and in their neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, of primary importance to this effort is the establishment of communication among the MGPTF, youth, schools, parents, law enforcement, emergency preparedness agencies, community-based organizations, community center staff, community leaders, and the community at-large; and

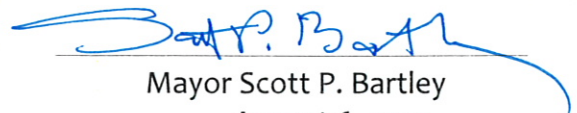
**WHEREAS**, the MGPTF continues the awareness strategy of informing and educating the public of the efforts, impact, and results of the MGPTF.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, I, Scott P. Bartley, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, proclaim the week of August 3 – 10, 2013 to be

### **5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GANG PREVENTION AWARENESS WEEK**

in the City of Santa Rosa. The City Council supports the efforts of the MGPTF in developing and sustaining a regional gang prevention effort in Sonoma County and to involve our community in keeping our youth safe and free from gang violence.



  
Mayor Scott P. Bartley  
August 6, 2013