



City of  
Santa Rosa

*Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, affordable housing is one of the cornerstones of democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, our communities thrive when all families have a place to call home; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, thousands of Santa Rosa families struggle to find an affordable home in one of the most expensive housing markets in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, affordable housing is an essential element of our equitable fire recovery process; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Rosa's Housing Action Plan supports the construction of 2,500 affordable housing units; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Rosa is committed to safe, stable, and affordable housing for all its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the strength of the Santa Rosa community and economy depends on providing access to housing options that allow current and future residents of all income levels and ethnicities to live where they work; and

**WHEREAS**, affordable housing near employment centers and transit reduces traffic congestion, air pollution, and emissions, and lowers housing and transportation costs for local workers; and

**WHEREAS**, organizations throughout Santa Rosa are dedicated to providing safe, stable, permanent and affordable housing for all members of the community and are collaboratively working to bring the need for affordable housing to the forefront of discussion in Santa Rosa; and

**WHEREAS**, these organizations are encouraged to partner with local agencies and community members to recognize Affordable Housing Week, which supports the sharing of best practices, opportunities, and solutions to provide affordable housing that is the right of all individuals;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Tom Schwedhelm, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 10 – 17, 2019

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK**



Mayor Tom Schwedhelm

May 21, 2019