

WHEREAS, The Redwood Empire Chinese Association is holding their 2013 Chinese New Year's Celebration at the Veteran's Memorial Building of Santa Rosa, California on February 23, 2013; and

WHEREAS, we are appreciative of the important functions of this inter-cultural organization in the fields of ethnic and language education, community participation, youth group activities, 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 people including their Chinese New Year Celebration, Pot Luck Socials, Multi-Cultural Poetry Reading and Pot Luck Lunch, Chinese Language School, High School Seniors Scholarship Program and Cultural Dance Programs; and

WHEREAS, we specifically acknowledge the outstanding work done by the Redwood Empire Chinese Association in giving programs to our local schools from elementary through university levels, offering scholarships to graduating high school students, giving cultural performances for local businesses and senior residential facilities in, for providing two groups of youth dancers, one group of children dancers, an Adult Chorus, Lion Dancers and Dragon Dancers to perform at community events, for providing an active Youth Group which focuses on self-esteem and positive community involvement and a Seniors Mah Jong Club; and

WHEREAS, we further commend The Redwood Empire Chinese Association for sharing the talents and diversity of Santa Rosa with other communities such as providing their multi-talented cultural dancers, musicians and Adult Chorus with the China Camp State Park Heritage Day in Marin County and the Dancing Poetry Festival held in San Francisco.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Scott P. Bartley, Mayor, and on behalf of the City Council of Santa Rosa, do hereby proclaim a hearty acknowledgement of the successes of the

REDWOOD EMPIRE CHINESE ASSOCIATION

Mayor Scott P. Bartley February 05, 2013