

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Proclamation

Recognizing the Friends of Boggs Mountain

WHEREAS, Friends of Bogs Mountain was formed as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization in December 2002, and for the past two decades, they have embodied their mission to "enhance visitors' experience in the forest, foster educational programs, help with the development of facilities, and assist with maintenance and infrastructure improvements," bringing far-reaching community benefits; and

WHEREAS, over their history, Friends of Boggs Mountain has helped build and maintain 34 miles of new and legacy trails, created trail maps, hosted educational events, organized guided hikes, installed signage, built an interpretive trail with signs describing flora and fauna, ensured availability of a permanent bathroom in the parking area and financed and built an informational kiosk; and

WHEREAS, Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest became a regional center for active recreation, driving significant economic activity throughout Lake County; and

WHEREAS, since the Valley Fire consumed over 90% of the forest, Friends of Boggs Mountain has taken responsibility to for restoring the trail system, which was fully destroyed as a result of the confluence of wildfire and salvage logging operations; and

WHEREAS, over 10 miles of new and legacy trails have since been completed, with the Friends of Boggs Mountain partnering with the Redwood Trail Alliance, volunteers and professional contractors to implement a bold vision for a reconstructed trail system, relentlessly fundraising in the face of rising trail design and construction costs; and

WHEREAS, the Friends have motivated significant financial and volunteer support, including major contributions from CAL FIRE, REI, Calpine, the County of Lake and Redwood Trail Alliance, while building relationships to support efforts to re-establish Boggs as a preferred destination for hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians; and

WHEREAS, no recent partnership has proven more pivotal than Redwood Tail Alliance, under the insightful leadership of Debbie St. Cyr.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake does hereby commend and applaud the Friends of Boggs Mountain for resilience in the face of challenges, and unflinching commitment to realizing a brighter, more economically vibrant future for Lake County residents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of June, 2022.

ATTEST: Susan Parker
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF LAKE

Deputy



Chairman, Board of Supervisors