## PROCLAMATION

## **OF THE**

## MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF RETIREMENT

## HONORING JOHN SAKOWICZ FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE MENDOCINO COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, John has been a distinguished member of the Retirement Board since his appointment to the board by the Board of Supervisors on January 23, 2012; and

WHEREAS, John has served as a dedicated and valuable trustee with a strong commitment to education and training, completing the Principles of Pension Management for Trustees held at the Stanford University Law School, the Public Pension Investment Management Program held at the UC Berkeley Haas School of Business, and the Advanced Principles of Pension Management for Trustees held at the UCLA Anderson School of Management; and

WHEREAS, John has helped the Retirement Board make many important decisions regarding operational and financial issues facing the Retirement Association, while focusing on being a prudent fiduciary; and

WHEREAS, John's contributions include serving on the Audit and Budget Committee, successful implementation of a pension automaton system, imaging system, and member self-service website, implementation of the Strategic Plan including policy development, review, and adoption, and successful completion of an Internal Revenue Service Voluntary Correction Plan with subsequent favorable determination letters for 2014 and 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mendocino County Board of Retirement recognizes and honors John Sakowicz for his years of service, and expresses sincere appreciation for his dedication and commitment to the Mendocino County Employees' Retirement Association and its Board of Retirement. John is wished all the best in his next endeavor.

Dated: N	1arch 15, 2017		
Superviso	or Dan Gjerde	<b>,</b>	
Board of	Retirement C	hairman	