PROCLAMATION of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

RECOGNIZING JOHN DENNIS BUSHNELL sheriff's lieutenant upon his retirement from mendocino county march 1, 2012

WHEREAS, Lieutenant J. Dennis Bushnell, after twenty-seven years of dedication and commitment to Mendocino County, now plans an honorable and well deserved retirement from county service; and

WHEREAS, in 1985 Dennis began his law enforcement career by becoming a Deputy Sheriff II with the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office after moving from a Deputy Sheriff position in Modoc County. In 1986, Dennis became the South Coast Resident Deputy and by 1988, was assigned as Field Training Officer. He was promoted to Sheriff's Sergeant in 1997, and in 2007 he was once again promoted, this time to Sheriff's Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, during his career with the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office, Dennis served in many capacities and areas of responsibilities, including Field Training Officer, Field Training Supervisor, Field Training Officer Program Coordinator. He expanded his duties in 2004, when he applied and was accepted as a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing member, a Peer Support member and a Sniper on the Special Emergency Response Team. By 2009, Dennis was assigned as the Commander of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit as well as the Honor Guard Commander; and

WHEREAS, throughout his years of dutiful service he has exhibited exemplary job performance and has contributed to the highest standard of law enforcement service to the people of Mendocino County and State of California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby wish to officially commend and offer their appreciation to Lieutenant John Dennis Bushnell for his long and meritorious service with the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office.

Dated: February 13, 2012

John McCowen, Chair

