



## **Persons Experiencing Homelessness Memorial Day December 21, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, extreme weather poses extreme hardship for the unsheltered and inadequately housed low-income individuals, men, women, and children in the City of Clearlake; and

**WHEREAS**, the spirit of the holiday season of giving provides an opportunity for affirmation and renewal regarding our commitment to mitigate and end homelessness; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council have designated December 21, 2025, as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day; and

**WHEREAS**, homelessness continues to be a serious challenge for many Clearlake residents who have the right to adequate food, housing, clothing, safety, and health care; and

**WHEREAS**, in honor of those who have died due to unsheltered homelessness, the cause of ending homelessness is kept urgent in the city's collective commitment to preventing such deaths in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, by joining together and remembering our neighbors, we can honor their lives by working to provide solutions to end homelessness within our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Clearlake City Council that December 18, 2025, we join others across the nation for the National Persons Experiencing Homelessness Memorial Day and hereby name Compassion in the Cold a community invitation to remember those who have died while experiencing homelessness and to encourage citizens to come together at the Hope Center, 3400 Emerson, from 4:00-8:00 pm, to celebrate their memory and address the factors that lead to homelessness.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025

Russ Cremer, Mayor