

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS REPORT FEBRUARY 25, 2025

1.0 PROCLAMATIONS

- --Cultural Arts & Diversity Resource Center February 21, 2025
- --Watsonville Public House One Year Anniversary February 22, 2025

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- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center at the University of California, Santa Cruz, has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to fostering an inclusive campus community, promoting intercultural learning, and encouraging personal growth and well-being; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center brings nationally recognized theater productions to UCSC, ranging from grassroots community theater to Broadway performances, allowing engagement with award-winning performances and emerging trends in the performing arts; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center actively collaborates with high schools, community colleges, and local community leaders to introduce young people to theater and inspire them to pursue higher education; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center provides invaluable professional experience to students, allowing them to develop leadership skills, engage in strategic planning, participate in decision-making, and attend professional conferences, thereby enhancing their future career opportunities; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center fosters empathy and understanding across diverse backgrounds through productions that vividly bring to life the histories and everyday experiences of ordinary individuals; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center encompasses Rainbow Theater and the African American Theater Arts Troupe (AATAT), student-formed organizations dedicated to amplifying underrepresented voices and stories absent from mainstream media and educational curricula; and
- WHEREAS, Rainbow Theater and AATAT, established over 30 years ago without initial funding or staff, have flourished into vital institutions that attract students to UCSC and inspire them to achieve academic and personal success; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center welcomes students from all academic disciplines, fostering an environment where students excel through training, community support, and a shared celebration of diverse cultures and histories; and
- WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center upholds the guiding principle to "uplift someone higher than one's self," instilling collaboration over competition and fostering empathy, insight, and acceptance among students; and
- WHEREAS, proceeds from Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center ticket sales contribute to a scholarship fund that has awarded over \$155,000 in scholarships to UCSC students in recognition of community service and leadership; and
- WHEREAS, Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center alumni have gone on to successful careers in various fields including medicine, law, game design, education, writing, and theater, and continue to return to UCSC to mentor and train new generations of students.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Maria Orozco, Mayor of the City of Watsonville, in the State of California, on behalf of the City Council hereby recognize and commend the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center for its outstanding contributions to arts, education, and community enrichment.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Watsonville to be affixed this 21^{st} day of February, Two thousand and twenty-five.

Maria Orozco, Mayor

WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA



- **WHEREAS,** on this day, Watsonville Public House celebrates its first anniversary as a communityfocused production craft brewery and taproom as well as the first brewery in downtown Watsonville since Prohibition; and
- WHEREAS, Watsonville Public House features twelve beers brewed on-site and range from flight beers to pale ales to IPAs to stouts; and
- **WHEREAS,** proprietors Robby Olson and Jenny Veitch-Olson enjoy sharing their flagship beers and new recipes with their community; and
- **WHEREAS,** Watsonville Public House's taproom has hosted a wide range of events for local organizations and private parties for families, friends, and businesses, and are proud to be recognized as a welcoming and safe place for all people; and
- WHEREAS, Watsonville Public House has become a place for regulars, and their weekly events such as disc golf putting league on Mondays and trivia night on Thursdays bring people together; and
- **WHEREAS,** Watsonville Public House is committed to making downtown Watsonville thrive, and have revived an often overlooked building on Main Street; and
- **WHEREAS,** Robby and Jenny appreciate that people find their way to their business via walking and riding bicycles in addition to driving.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Maria Orozco, Mayor of the City of Watsonville, in the State of California, on behalf of the City Council hereby congratulate Watsonville Public House on its one-year anniversary and wish them continued success as a vital part of our community for many years to come.

