

**CITY OF YACHATS
RESOLUTION NO. ___-__-__**

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OUR LOCAL WORKFORCE'S IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE WELL BEING OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THEIR NEED FOR AFFORDABLE WORKFORCE HOUSING.

WHEREAS, our local economy relies primarily on the tourist trade accommodated by our local motels, vacation rentals, restaurants, and shops.

WHEREAS, the City's revenues derive primarily from the Transient Rental Tax and the Food and Beverage Tax, both of which are primarily dependent upon the tourist trade accommodated by our local motels, vacation rentals, and restaurants.

WHEREAS, a committed local workforce is essential to our local economy and to the tax revenues allowing the City to operate.

WHEREAS, limited supply and strong demand have caused high real estate prices and have severely reduced the supply of available rental housing in general; and there is no un-occupied, safe, and decent rental housing that is affordable by our local workforce.

WHEREAS, Yachats has seven units of affordable housing developed in 2012 and set aside for households earning at or under 80% of area median income, which are currently 100% occupied by local workers.

WHEREAS, Yachats has 25 units of affordable rental housing developed in 2009 and set aside for households earning at or under 60% of area median income which, for various reasons, have been and are primarily occupied by persons out of the workforce due to age or disability.

WHEREAS, Yachats has no dwelling units that are available to and affordable by our local workforce earning at or under 60% of area median income.

WHEREAS, there is a critical need in Yachats for safe, decent, and affordable rental housing for our workforce.

WHEREAS, creation of additional units of safe and decent housing in the City that are available to and affordable by our local workforce will increase diversity, equity, and inclusion in our community.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF YACHATS RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City recognizes the important contribution of our local workforce to the economic life of our community and to the revenues allowing our City to perform its essential governmental functions.

Section 2. The City acknowledges a critical shortage of safe and decent housing units in the City that are available to and affordable by our local workforce earning at or under 60% of area median income.

Section 3. It is the policy of the City to promote and encourage the creation of additional units of safe and decent housing within the City that are available to and affordable by our local workers earning at or under 60% of area median income and that will enable our workers to participate more fully in the life of our community.

Passed by the Council and approved by the Mayor this ___ day of ____, 2017.

Gerald Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan Davies, City Manager