Resolution No. 2025-135

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING JUNE 14, 2025, AS THE 250th BIRTHDAY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY

WHEREAS, the Army of the United Colonies was created June 14, 1775, by the Continental Congress. Its first General and Commander in Chief was George Washington, of Virginia, who would also go on to be elected the first president of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, on July 4, 1776, upon the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the Army of the United Colonies would become the Army of the United States, making the U.S. Army effectively one year older than the United States itself; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army, as one of the three military departments (Army, Navy and Air Force) reporting to the Department of Defense, is composed of two distinct and equally important components: the active component and the reserve components. The reserve components are the United States Army Reserve and the Army National Guard; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army's values are: Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity and Personal Courage. Since the Revolutionary War, "This We'll Defend" has been the U.S. Army's motto, reminding us that its purpose is timeless and clear; and

WHEREAS, over eighty years ago, the U.S. Army helped lead the charge to liberate Europe during World War II and has been instrumental in numerous wars and battles across the globe, including the Korean War, Vietnam and the Middle East. The U.S. Army has also shown itself to be a leader beyond the battlefield. The U.S. Army supports disaster relief efforts at home and abroad and can rapidly deploy to locations around the globe when there is a need; and

WHEREAS, for 250 years the U.S. Army has offered endless possibilities and opportunities for service to our nation. From the Revolutionary War to the present day, Americans have served selflessly, sacrificing their freedom - and sometimes their lives - in defense of the nation. Their courage, loyalty and dedication have inspired generations, forging a proud tradition of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes June 14, 2025, as the 250th birthday of the United States Army.

Dated this 10th day of June 2025



MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BILL EMLEN, Clerk

Solano County Board of Supervisors

Veronica Lake, Deputy Clerk