



CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the Sebastopol Rotary Club's 100th Anniversary

Whereas, the Sebastopol Rotary Club was founded in 1925, today boasts more than 100 members who wholeheartedly embrace the time-honored Rotary motto, "Service above Self" through their generous support of numerous charitable causes; and

Whereas in 1984, the Sebastopol Rotary Club established a Learn to Swim Program which offered free swim lessons to all second graders in the Sebastopol area, which has now seen 13000 children take the lessons, and which educated them not only to swim but also to be aware of all hazards in waterways of Sonoma County; and

Whereas, in 2010 the Sebastopol Rotary Club established the Overcoming Obstacles program which recognized high school students who encountered adversity but were able to succeed in graduating from local high schools; and

Whereas the Sebastopol Rotary Club maintains a summer Cool Kids Camp, which provides a week of respite for children who are referred by local therapists because the children have experienced domestic upheaval such as verbal or physical abuse; and

Whereas the Sebastopol Rotary Club provides leadership training and community involvement skills to middle and high school students through its Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Camp and Interact clubs; and

Whereas the Sebastopol Rotary Club has established Mark Sell Teacher Grants which awards individual grants to Sebastopol area teachers to help them improve their classroom efforts; and

Whereas the Sebastopol Rotary Club has also awarded individual Community Grants to various local entities such as Ives Pool, Ceres Community Kitchen, Sebastopol Little League, and other worthy organizations; and

Whereas the Sebastopol Rotary Club has donated time and funds to improve local playgrounds such as Ives Park, and Willard Libby Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, Mayor Stephen Zollman, do hereby Recognize the Sebastopol Rotary Club's 100th Anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this 20th day of May 2025.

Stephen Zollman
Mayor