TOWN OF FAIRFAX PROCLAMATION Honoring Norma McFaddan, Mask-Maker Extraordinaire

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WHEREAS, Norma McFaddan is a resident of Guerneville, California, is an accomplished fiber artist and quilter and is a long-time friend of Councilmember Barbara Coler; and

WHEREAS, at the advent of the Covid-19 pandemic shelter-in-place orders, Norma began making and donating cloth face masks for the homeless, the Salvation Army and others in the Russian River area; and

WHEREAS, at the request of Councilmember Coler, Norma began making cloth face masks for Fairfax businesses to help them reopen safely – she does not take any financial compensation and donates all her masks; and

WHEREAS, Norma washes and irons all her masks so they are safe and immediately ready for use – they are eclectic fabrics which fit our Fairfax vibe; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Goddard and Councilmember Coler began distributing Norma's masks in packs of five to each business on three occasions, July 3rd, July 22nd and August 14; and

WHEREAS, Norma keeps making masks for Fairfax, and more than 250 individually-bagged masks were distributed throughout downtown on September 16th and October 15th; and

WHEREAS, Norma has also made and donated masks for Marin City, the Canal and West Marin, and has also donated more masks to Fairfaxians at Victory Village, to our Age Friendly 90 and better gift basket recipients, and made special-themed masks for Potting Shed, Amelie and Hummingbird; and

WHEREAS, Norma has made and donated a total of more than 1200 cloth face masks for Fairfax and other Marin locales to date - she is currently making more for Fairfax; and

WHEREAS, through Norma's hard work and generous donations, she has helped Fairfax reopen safely and has made our Town a safer place; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax, in acknowledgment of her contributions to the Town and to the community,

The Town of Fairfax extends its gratitude and appreciation to

Norma McFaddan.



Signed and dated this 18th day of November 2020,

Renée Goddard, Mayor of Fairfax