

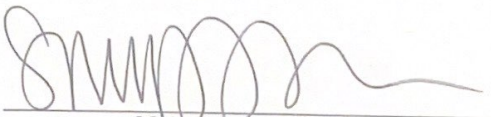


CITY OF SANTA CRUZ
CALIFORNIA

Mayor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS THE EXPENDABLES FORMED AT SOQUEL HIGH SCHOOL, CALIFORNIA, WITH GEOFF WEERS ON VOCALS AND GUITAR, RAUL BIANCHI ON LEAD GUITAR, AND ADAM SCOTT PATTERSON ON DRUMS, WAS LATER JOINED BY APTOS HIGH ALUM RYAN DeMARS ON BASS GUITAR; THE TEENAGE QUARTET PLAYED MOSTLY DICK DALE SURF ROCK SONGS AT LOCAL WEDDINGS, PARTIES, AND FAMILY GATHERINGS IN SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA; and
- WHEREAS IN EARLY 2000, THE EXPENDABLES FIRST PLAYED THE INFAMOUS CATALYST CLUB IN SANTA CRUZ FOR THEIR "THURSDAY NIGHT SHOWCASE"; IN TOTAL, OVER 150 SHOWS WERE PERFORMED AT THIS WORLD-RENOWNED NIGHT CLUB; and
- WHEREAS IN JANUARY 2001, THE EXPENDABLES RECORDED THEIR FIRST STUDIO ALBUM TITLED, "NO TIME TO WORRY," QUICKLY FOLLOWED BY A SECOND ALBUM TITLED, "OPEN CONTAINER," AND IN 2003, HEADED OUT ON THEIR FIRST TOUR, RELYING ON THEIR 2000 FORD E350 VAN, SUBWAY SANDWICHES, AND MOTEL 6s; and
- WHEREAS IN SEPTEMBER 2004, THE EXPENDABLES RELEASED THEIR THIRD ALBUM TITLED, "GETTIN' FILTHY," AND THEN IN 2005, CONTRIBUTED TO A COMPILATION ALBUM THAT WAS A FUNDRAISING EFFORT FOR THE USA JUNIOR SURFING TEAM; and
- WHEREAS IN 2007, THE EXPENDABLES RELEASED A FOURTH ALBUM, SELF-TITLED, "THE EXPENDABLES"; IN 2010 THEIR FIFTH ALBUM TITLED, "PROVE IT," FEATURED THE ADDITION OF KEYBOARDS, TRUMPET, SAXOPHONE, PERCUSSION, AND EXTRA DUB EFFECTS, AS WELL AS VOCALS AND HARMONICA BY MUSICIAN AND RAPPER G. LOVE; AND BY 2015, THEIR SIXTH ALBUM TITLED, "SAND IN THE SKY," WAS RELEASED; and
- WHEREAS IN 2015, THE EXPENDABLES EXPANDED THEIR BRAND INTO THE CANNABIS INDUSTRY BY LAUNCHING EXPENDA FARMS, WITH CANNABIS FARMS LOCATED IN SANTA CRUZ; AS AN INTERNATIONAL TOURING ACT, THEIR CANNABIS-FRIENDLY HIGH-ENERGY SONGS HAVE LONG BEEN CONSIDERED ANTHEMS WITHIN THE CANNABIS COMMUNITY AND CULTURE; and
- WHEREAS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, IN DECEMBER 2020, THE EXPENDABLES RECORDED A SINGLE CALLED, "YOU'RE RIGHT HERE"; THE MUSIC VIDEO FEATURED THE BAND LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH CAMEOS OF POPULAR AMERICAN REGGAE BAND MEMBERS AND WAS DEDICATED TO "ALL THE FANS, BANDS, AND CREW MEMBERS, AND EVERYONE IN THE INDUSTRY AFFECTED BY THE 2020 COVID SHUTDOWN"; and
- WHEREAS ON FEBRUARY 5, 2022, THE EXPENDABLES PERFORMED TO THEIR LARGEST AUDIENCE TO DATE OF WELL OVER 20,000 PEOPLE AT THE CALI VIBES FEST IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA; CURRENTLY, THEY NOW PERFORM 125-150 SHOWS ANNUALLY, BOTH NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY, AND HAVE BECOME A STAPLE NAME IN THE REGGAE ROCK GENRE WORLDWIDE FOR WELL OVER TWO DECADES:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SONJA BRUNNER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AS "THE EXPENDABLES DAY" IN THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN ME IN CELEBRATING THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND APPRECIATING THEM FOR THEIR GOOD VIBES AND LONG MUSICAL HISTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO SANTA CRUZ AND THE WORLD.



SONJA BRUNNER, MAYOR

Signed and Sealed this 29th Day of September 2022