

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

Resolution No.

Adopt a resolution Commending **Sergeant Erika Gabriela Barrera** upon her retirement from thirty-two years of public service with the Monterey County Sheriff's Office

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera was born in Mexico City, Mexico under the birth name of Erika Gabriela Barrera; she came to Salinas in 1970 at the age of three with her parents and her brother, graduating from Salinas High School in 1985 and subsequently completed several college courses at Monterey Peninsula College and Hartnell College; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera was sworn in by Sheriff Bud Cook in 1989; over her career, Sergeant Barrera served under six Monterey County Sheriffs: Bud Cook, Norm Hicks, Gordon Sonne, Mike Kanalakis, Scott Miller, and Steve Bernal; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera demonstrated excellent performance during her tour of duty at the Monterey County Sheriff's Office where she held the positions of Correctional Aid I (1989), Sheriff's Records Clerk (1994), Senior Corrections Specialist (1996), Deputy Sheriff (1998), Transportation Deputy (1999), Facility Training Officer (2002), and Sheriff's Sergeant (2008); and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera began her career in law enforcement as a Campus Security Officer at Hartnell College one and a half years before her employment at the Sheriff's Office; as a result of her hard work and dedication, she either met or exceeded standards on numerous performance evaluations at the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera held collateral assignments on the Honor Guard and as a Peer Counselor since the inception of those programs receiving many accolades for her service; she also served as an advisor for the Sheriff's Explorer Program for many years, earning much respect and appreciation from the youth and the community she served; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera received several letters of appreciation for assisting other Sheriff's Office units, such as MADCAT, Coroner's Division, Narcotics Unit, Homicide Unit, and Patrol, for her Spanish interpreting skills during their investigations; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barrera, is the mother of 27-year-old Anthony Kaye and 21-year-old Amanda Kaye and plans to enjoy her retirement by traveling as much as possible and eventually moving out of state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey on behalf of all residents thereof, acknowledges, commends, and thanks Sergeant

Erika Gabriela Barrera for her thirty-two years of exemplary public service to the residents of Monterey County, as a valued member of the Monterey County Sheriff's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors wishes her success, health, and happiness in all her future endeavors and much joy in her well-deserved retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2022, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book _____ for the meeting on _____, 2022.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California.

By _____
Deputy