## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution No. 22	)
Adopt a resolution Designating National Day	)
of Remembrance for Murder Victims on Se	ptember)
25 <sup>th</sup> , 2022 in Monterey County	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

WHEREAS, there were over 19,600 homicides in the United States in 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the devastating impact of murder in America has far-reaching effects on individuals, families, communities and our nation as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, the families of murder victims are faced with immediate, short-term and lasting consequences that have a profound effect on them - emotionally, financially, physically, and spiritually; and

**WHEREAS**, the criminal and juvenile justice systems in America, and our society as a whole, must continue to commit their energies to arresting and prosecuting murderers, and to providing information, supportive services, and assistance to the survivors of homicide victims to exercise their rights under law; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children has, since 1978, provided vision and leadership to our nation to help identify and address the needs of families and friends of murder victims; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2010, the Monterey County Chapter of Parents Of Murdered Children has provided support and services to families of murder victims, and has worked toward justice and societal reforms that recognize and respect the rights and needs of families of murder victims; and

**WHEREAS**, September 25<sup>th</sup> marks the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Commemoration of America's National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 25<sup>th</sup>, our nation will join together to remember and pay respect to the hundreds of thousands of people who have been murdered in America.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors declares September 25, 2022, to be Monterey County Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims, and honors murder victims and their families and those who assist them on this special day;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors recognizes and honors the outstanding efforts of the Monterey County Chapter of Parents Of Murdered Children to provide ongoing support and services to families and friends of murder victims;

<b>AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> that a suitably prepared copy of this Proclamation be presented to Angie Ortega, Director of Monterey County Parents of Murdered Children on September, 2022
PASSED AND ADOPTED this th day of September, 2022, upon motion of Supervisor, seconded by Supervisor, and carried by the following vote, to-wit:
AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT: