

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

Resolution No.

Adopt Resolution Commending **Commander Derrel Simpson**, Upon His Retirement From Over Thirty-One Years of Public Service With The Monterey County Sheriff's Office.

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson was born in Corpus Christi, Texas and raised in Charleston, South Carolina before settling in California in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson was sworn in on January 13, 1992, by Sheriff Norm Hicks and served over 31 years with the Monterey County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson served under the following six Sheriffs: Norman G Hicks, Gordon Sonn , Mike Kanalakis, Scott K. Miller, Steve Bernal, and Tina M. Nieto; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson served as a Corrections Deputy, Corrections FTO, Patrol Deputy, Patrol FTO, County of Monterey Marijuana Eradication Team (COMMET) Deputy, Special Enforcement Detail (SED) Deputy, Detective, DEA Task Force Officer, Patrol Sergeant at all 3 stations, and Commander of Professional Standards and Special Operations; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson was assigned to the Tactical Response Team, SWAT, Defensive Tactics Instructor, was the first member of the Sheriff's Office to make SWAT while on probation where he served almost 22 years as an Operator, Assistant Team Leader, Team Leader, and Tactical Commander; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson developed the system of arrest and control for Monterey County Sheriff's Office and allied agencies as well as the Close Quarter Battle Hand to Hand Tactics employed by our SWAT Team; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson earned the Distinguished Expert Shooter Award, Gold Medal in the Police and Fire Games for Martial Arts Fighting, three-time recipient of the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Award, and Medal of Valor recipient as SWAT Team Leader in a jail takeover; and

WHEREAS, Commander Derrel Simpson received numerous letters of appreciation and commendations from residents, staff, community organizations, allied agencies, and government entities such as recognition for presentation for Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Letter from Soledad PD for efforts in the recovery of an abducted child and successfully negotiating the release of three hostages from a suicidal suspect; and

WHEREAS, In 2006, Commander Derrel Simpson was co-case agent on a case that seized a large amount of currency later used to buy equipment for the entire department and was the largest wiretap case in Monterey County Sheriff's Office history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby, acknowledges, commends, and thanks **Commander Derrel Simpson**, for over 31 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 **Commander Derrel Simpson** success, health, and happiness in all his future endeavors and joy in this well-deserved retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023, 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 _____, 2023.

Dated:

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

By _____
Deputy