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

## Resolution No.

Adopt Resolution recognizing and congratulating *Jesse Herrera*, *LCSW*, *Behavioral Health Services Manager II* upon his retirement from the Monterey County Health Department after sixteen (16) years of public service

WHEREAS, *Jesse Herrera*, *LCSW*, began his public behavioral health career in 1974 with Los Angeles County, Department of Mental Health, serving in many capacities such as Psychiatric Social Worker, Program Development Coordinator, Special Assistant to the Executive Director of the Mental Health Center, Director of Long Term Residential Program, Director of Homeless Community Services, and Program Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, *Jesse Herrera*, *LCSW*, began working for the Monterey County Health Department, Behavioral Health Bureau on April 19, 1996 and during his tenure here has served as the Quality Assurance Manager, Alcohol and Drug Services Manager, the Cultural Competency Coordinator and Ethnic Services Manager; and

WHEREAS, *Jesse Herrera*, *LCSW*, has served as Chairperson of the Behavioral Health Cultural Competency/Social Justice Committee, Co-Chairperson of the Latino Network of Monterey County, and Chairperson of the Nonprofit Alliance of Monterey County (NAMC) Diversity Social Equity Initiative Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Herrera, LCSW, has participated as a member and/or representative on the following committees: California Mental Health Directors Association Cultural Competency, Equity and Social Justice Committee, Veterans' Collaborative of Monterey County, BiNational Health Partnership, Health Department Community Outreach Team, NAMC Core Leadership, Bay Area Ethnic Services Managers, System of Care Governance Council, United Advocates For Children and Families' Statewide Stigma and Discrimination Reduction Advisory Committee, California Disaster Coordinators, CSU Monterey Bay Master of Social Work Program's Field Advisory, Community Advisory and Scholarship Advisory Committees, and the Women's Health Conference for the Spanish Speaking Immigrant Farmworker & Service Industry Worker; and

WHEREAS, *Jesse Herrera*, *LCSW*, has been regarded as a highly respected and influential Latino community leader and never having forgotten his roots, has been instrumental in ensuring community involvement and cultural and linguistic relevance in the development and implementation of Monterey County's Mental Health Services Act plans. He has initiated ongoing, open and confidential forums with the Behavioral Health Director for all Bilingual Staff members. He has effectively introduced and implemented La Cultura Cura; El Joven Noble, Xinachtli, Cara y Corazon, an indigenous cultural and healing based curriculum developed by Jerry Tello in Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Herrera, LCSW, has throughout his career advocated for health equity, specifically in the area of mental health, and has been a strong and unwavering advocate and champion for the underserved and unserved communities of Monterey County and the State of California; and

**WHEREAS**, *Jesse Herrera*, *LCSW*, will retire from the County of Monterey on September 28, 2012, after an outstanding career of service to the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors hereby expresses its appreciation and gratitude to *Jesse Herrera, LCSW*, for the excellent performance of his duties as Behavioral Health Services Manager II and his concern with meeting the diverse needs of the communities of Monterey County, and that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, hereby acknowledges, commends and thanks *Jesse Herrera, LCSW*, for his contribution to Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the	nis, 2011 by the following
vote, to wit:	
AYES:	
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	of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby an original order of said Board Supervisors duly made and entered in for the meeting on
	Gayle T. Borkowski, Clerk of the
	Board of Supervisors, County of
	Monterey, State of California.
	By

Deputy