

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

**Resolution No**

Adopt Resolution honoring **Mayor Joseph Gunter** as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission's "Veteran of the Year" for 2020.

**WHEREAS**, each year the County of Monterey and the Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Commission honors those who have made a significant contribution to their communities, are strong motivators, have demonstrated extraordinary professional competence and are role models for veterans and the community as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission is honored to recognize **Mayor Joseph Gunter** as a 2020 "Veteran of the Year"; and

**WHEREAS**, from 1965-1969 **Mayor Joseph Gunter** served in Vietnam for the United States Marines; and

**WHEREAS**, **Mayor Joseph Gunter** served his community as the Mayor of Salinas for eight consecutive years and spearheaded several community projects to include: the Youth Alisal Sports Field, the new Police Department, Salinas Veteran's Day Parade, and the California Central Coast Veteran's Cemetery at Fort Ord; and

**WHEREAS**, **Mayor Joseph Gunter** served on countless boards and volunteered his time to public service for the betterment of the City of Salinas and the betterment of Monterey County. Serving in the capacity of: Salinas Police Department Reserve Officer, Bobby Sox Softball President, California Rodeo volunteer, Salinas Woman's Crisis Center Board Member, Central Coast Federal Credit Union Board Member, founding member of Tappin' Dads, and the Director of Security for the California International Air Show; and

**WHEREAS**, **Mayor Joseph Gunter** was beloved for his approachable, kind, and caring words who dedicated fifty years of public service to the City of Salinas, California.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors **Mayor Joseph Gunter** a 2020 Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Committee "Veteran of the Year".