

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt Resolution commending **Sergeant Brian Pickens**)
as the recipient of the Monterey County Sheriff's Office)
Deputy of the Year for 2015.....)

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens has been named the Monterey County Sheriff's Office Deputy of the Year for 2015; he was nominated by Chief Deputy Tracy Brown; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens was born, raised and educated in Parkersburg, West Virginia, and upon receiving his High School Diploma, he entered the United States Army, where he served for four years, being honorably discharged from the military in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens was hired as a Deputy Sheriff Recruit in August of 1990, attended the Gavilan College Basic Police Academy and upon graduation he was assigned to the Monterey County Sheriff's Corrections Bureau where he worked corrections, transportation and bailiff assignments; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens transferred to the field training program for the Enforcement Operations Bureau in November of 1994 and upon successfully completing the field training program he worked at the multiple stations and had multiple assignments including the Detective Bureau, where he was assigned to a Drug Enforcement Agency Task Force for a period of four years where he worked major narcotics cases in Northern California, while also concurrently working with Federal Bureau of Investigation as a task force agent immediately after the "9-11" tragedy, where, after working multiple cases, the totality of those efforts resulted in numerous large scale arrests and seizures of quantities of illegally trafficked narcotics and numerous assets gained from illegal activities and he continued to work as an investigator until his promotion to sergeant in the Enforcement Operations Bureau in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens was promoted to Sergeant in 2008 and has supervised in all three stations and on all three watches for the last seven years, and while assigned as an Enforcement Sergeant, he also worked an investigations assignment dealing with South Monterey County Corruption issues and focused enforcement of violent gang members with The California Gang Reduction Initiative Program (Cal-Grip); and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens, in June of 2015, undertook the directive to address South Monterey County Gang Violence in a collaborative effort with other south Monterey County police agencies, and **Sergeant Pickens** and one other Deputy focused their enforcement efforts not only on gangs, but the violent crimes they commit; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Pickens excelled in his work performance due to his highly proactive nature and thorough investigative experience in a six-month period in 2015, he was able to seize 35 firearms, over tens pounds of illegally possessed controlled substances, as well as taking multiple gang members into custody; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his outstanding work ethic and very proactive nature, **Sergeant Brian Pickens** was awarded Deputy of the Year for 2015, and **Sergeant Brian Pickens** will be presented with the sheriff's office deputy of the year badge; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors recognizes **Sergeant Brian Pickens** as the Monterey County Sheriff's Office deputy of the year for 2015 and **Sergeant Brian Pickens** is recognized for his OUTSTANDING public service on behalf of all the people of Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this _____, by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Gail T. Borkowski, 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 _____.

Dated:

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California

By _____