

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt resolution recognizing **Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen**)
as the recipient of the **2020 Valley of the World Education Award**.....)

WHEREAS, Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen is a native of California and a product of the California public education system where he graduated from Garey High School in Pomona; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen completed a Bachelor of Science degree with honors from California State Polytechnic University of Pomona and was a member of the 1976 National Championship baseball team; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen completed two Masters of Science degrees at Purdue University and Doctor of Philosophy Degree at University of California, Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen's career spans forty-years and was appointed the President of Hartnell Community College in July 2012 where he served until his retirement in September 2019; and

WHEREAS, with the support of the dedicated employees of Hartnell College, Governing Board, and the Hartnell Foundation Board of Directors, they were able to accomplish reaffirmation of accreditation in 2019 for seven years, 159% increase in the number of associate degrees awarded, 63% increase in the number of students transferring to CSU and UC campuses, founded first DREAMer Center at a California community college supporting undocumented students, launched the *Salinas Valley Promise* in 2018 providing free college for two years for all high school graduates regardless of income, passage of Measure T in 2016 which is providing \$167 million for facilities expansion and modernization throughout the Hartnell District, and raised \$70 million in external funding over five years to support instructional programs and student support services; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen was presented with the Forbes Impact Award for his leadership in agriculture education and innovation at the Forbes AgTech Summit in 2016, named Distinguished Alumnus at Cal Poly Pomona in 2018, received the Distinctive Service Award from the Purdue University in 2019, Presidential Service Award from League of United Latin American Citizens Council #2055, Economic Vitality Award from the Monterey County Business Council, Pal Holmes Facilities Leadership Achievement Award from the Community College Facility Coalition, and his record of leadership was entered into the Congressional Record in August 2019; and

WHEREAS, in October 2019, the STEM Center Building was named the *Willard Lewallen STEM Center* at Hartnell Community College, recognizing **Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen's** leadership; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its residents thereof, recognize **Dr. Willard Clark Lewallen** for his contributions to the community and to Monterey County, and hereby congratulates him upon being selected as the recipient of the **2020 Valley of the World Education Award**.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ___ day of ____ 2020, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valerie 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 _____, 2020.

Dated:

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

By _____

Deputy