

# County of Monterey

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 25-355

Adopt a resolution recognizing **Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley, Inc.** as the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce 2025 Legacy of Leadership Nonprofit of the Year Honoree..... )  
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**WHEREAS**, the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Legacy of Leadership Gala honors individuals and organizations whose extraordinary dedication, integrity, and service have made a lasting and meaningful impact on the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nonprofit of the Year Award recognizes outstanding organizations whose visionary leadership, commitment, and programs have uplifted individuals, empowered communities, and driven meaningful change throughout the Salinas Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, for fifty-three years, **Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley** has supported and nourished seniors through its home-delivered meals program, providing essential nutrition and fostering independence among older adults; and

**WHEREAS**, **Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley** has expanded its impact to include congregate meals and senior social lunch programs, and in 2021 launched a series of monthly senior social gatherings across both South and North County communities, offering lunch, music, activities, and opportunities for social connection; and

**WHEREAS**, **Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley** expanded its programs with additional senior socials in Salinas and Marina, bringing the total to seven monthly events across Monterey County in 2025, providing seniors with not only free meals but also access to local nonprofit resources and fresh produce through partnerships with organizations such as the Food Bank for Monterey County; and

**WHEREAS**, widely praised by seniors, elected officials, and community leaders, **Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley's** senior social lunch programs have become a vital source of joy, health, and community connection, helping to combat senior isolation and hunger in the Salinas Valley.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors on behalf of all the County and its residents, thereof, hereby congratulates **Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley** as the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce 2025 Legacy of Leadership Nonprofit of the Year Honoree and extends its tireless service, commitment, and lasting contributions to the well-being of seniors and the broader community.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025

Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez

Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

Supervisor Glenn Church

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