

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

Resolution No.

Adopt Resolution recognizing the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day Committee** on its 20th Anniversary

WHEREAS, in 1994, following an ammonia release incident in Monterey County, a small group of professionals from the local business community and relevant regulatory agencies, which would become known as the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day Committee**, organized to take a proactive approach to the prevention of potentially harmful releases of ammonia used and stored by the agricultural and refrigeration industries; and

WHEREAS, the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day** was born from the awareness that a comprehensive approach to management of the hazards and risks of industrial ammonia use and storage, as well as coordinated detection and emergency response systems, would require the integrated collaboration of the community of businesses that use ammonia in their processes, educational institutions, regulatory entities, and emergency response agencies; and

WHEREAS, the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day** annual public events reflect a recognized need for ongoing training, outreach and education, and the advantages of strong relationships between community stakeholders in order to promote safe work places and adherence to safety regulations while maintaining a high level of services to customers; and

WHEREAS, the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day** multi-disciplinary model has been adopted in other California jurisdictions and in several other states, and has achieved national recognition; and

WHEREAS, the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day Committee** has evolved into a long standing, respected and successful collaborative of local volunteer industry, regulatory, and emergency response professionals who leverage resources from several community sponsors, offer program support and manage this important training resource, free of charge to hundreds of participants each year; and

WHEREAS, the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day Committee** will offer its twentieth annual conference in Salinas on May 23rd, 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, does hereby recognize the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day** on the occasion of its Twentieth Anniversary as a model program, and a valuable community resource, and salutes the **Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day Committee**, its staff and partners for their dedication and service.

PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2013, 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 _____, on _____.