

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

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt a resolution recognizing August 31, 2024, as **International Overdose Awareness Day**; a day of remembrance of all lives lost or forever changed by drug overdose, with the theme, “Together we can” underscoring the importance of coming together as an international community to create change; and

**WHEREAS**, following several years of decline, the number of opioid related deaths in Monterey County has increased annually from 7 deaths in 2017 to 31 deaths in 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Monterey's health system including but not limited to Natividad and the Health Department’s Behavioral Health Bureau, Clinic Services Bureau, Emergency Medical Services Agency, and Public Health Bureau reaffirm its commitment to overcoming this public health and safety crisis by raising awareness of substance use to help prevent stigmatization of addiction, promote effective treatments, celebrate those in recovery, and reinforce collective efforts to prevent future tragedies; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Monterey commits to continuous efforts to educate the community on drug overdose signs and symptoms, stimulate discussion on overdose prevention, provide available resources, host prevention activities within the community, and provide access to care and treatment services; and

**WHEREAS**, **International Overdose Awareness Day** is a time to remember the lives lost and to find hope in the more than 20 million Americans recovering from substance use disorders, highlighting what is possible when people are given the care, treatment and support they need; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby acknowledge **International Overdose Awareness Day** on August 31, 2024.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Dated:

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

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy