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

## Resolution No.

Adopt Resolution honoring
Jane Parker as a recipient of the
33<sup>rd</sup> Baha'i Human Rights Award

WHEREAS, Dennis Gayle, former member of the Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Monterey, initiated the Baha'i Human Rights Award to honor individuals in the community working in the field of human rights; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker is the personification of humanitarian, respected by many throughout her community; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker is proud to serve Monterey County as the Fourth District Supervisor, where her priorities include responsible land-use policy, equitable healthcare access and high quality healthcare services, water and mass transit solutions, increased accountability and customer service for County services, and an emphasis on preventive policy as it pertains to social and law enforcement issues; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker grew up in Monterey, graduated from Monterey High School, attended University of California at Santa Cruz, earned her Bachelor's degree in International Economics from the Monterey Institute of International Studies and a Grand Diplome de Cuisine from La Varenne Ecole de Cuisine in Paris; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker has worked as Associate Director of the ACTION Council of Monterey County addressing unmet needs in the county and improving the quality of life for residents through the pursuit of economic and social justice, developing affordable housing solutions, re-designing the Child Welfare System working with the County's Department of Social and Employment Services, and developing strong financial base of support for Girls Incorporated of the Central Coast; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker, served for over five years as Vice President of Development for Planned Parenthood Mar Monte, the largest Planned Parenthood in the country, raising over \$5 million annually to support essential family, health, reproductive education counseling and medical services; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker founded and managed a healthy meal preparation service designed to serve working families and homebound seniors; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker was elected to serve on the Monterey Peninsula College Board of Trustees from 1999-2003 where she proved to be an effective advocate for quality education -- fighting unfair education cuts proposed by Sacramento, and leading efforts to attract and retain quality faculty and teaching staff. Under her watch, MPC continued to provide outstanding, affordable education protecting student services despite the state budget crisis. As Chair, Jane brought more responsible and accountable leadership to the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker has also served as President of the Charitable Council of Monterey, Volunteer Director for the Carmel Bach Festival, Board President of the Unitarian Universalist Church, on the Executive Committee of the Democratic Club of the Monterey Peninsula, and on the Monterey Peninsula College Foundation Board of Trustees. She organized county-wide community engagement summits in 1997 and 2007, and served on the Monterey County Social Services Commission from 1994-2000 - presiding as chair for two years;

**WHEREAS,** as a product of Monterey public schools, **Jane Parker** inherited a love of education from her father, Brad, who was the education beat reporter for the Monterey Herald. Jane's mother, Polly, was a local community activist and writer who inspired Jane to public service.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, honors **Jane Parker** upon being awarded the 2012, 33<sup>rd</sup> Baha'i Human Rights Award, and wishes her continued success, peace and happiness in all of her future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this to wit:	day of	, 2012 by the following vote,
AYES: NOES: ABSENT:		
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