

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

Resolution No.:

Resolution recognizing **Jane Parker** for her 12 years of public service as a County Supervisor for Monterey County District 4, representing Seaside, Marina, East Garrison, Fort Ord, Southwest Salinas, Del Rey Oaks, and Sand City.

WHEREAS, Jane Parker was born in Las Vegas, Nevada, the oldest of 4 children, and she was raised in the Monterey County and attended Monterey Peninsula Unified School District public schools. Jane inherited a love of education from her father, Brad, who was the education beat reporter for the Monterey Herald, and was inspired to pursue a life of public service from her mother, Polly, who was a local community activist and writer; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker has demonstrated a lifetime of deep care and love for Monterey County in a multitude of capacities, including her work as Associate Director of the ACTION Council of Monterey County working diligently to re-design the Child Welfare System and founding Girls Incorporated of the Central Coast; as Vice President of Development for Planned Parenthood Mar Monte supporting essential family, health, reproductive education counseling and medical services; on the Board of Trustees for Monterey Peninsula College; and as a small business owner of a healthy meal preparation service designed to serve working families and homebound seniors; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker first ran for Supervisor in 2004, and after narrowly losing to the incumbent, persevered in her determination to add a progressive woman Democrat to the Board by running again successfully in 2008, thrilling her supporters who filled the Board chambers with rare attendance during the swearing-in ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker lost no time in pursuing her goals of transparency, accountability, and sustainability during her first year in office by championing policies and practices including accessible posting of Board agendas and materials, regularly-scheduled evaluations for high-level managers, improved County website features and directories, the formation of the Alternative Energy and Environment Committee, and the ban on styrofoam and plastic bags; she also launched a monthly electronic newsletter, appeared regularly on the Your Town show, hosted weekly hot topics meetings for the community, and held quarterly community workshops on county issues; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker served on a multitude of board and commissions during her 12 years as Supervisor, including Fort Ord Reuse Authority Board, Transportation Agency of Monterey County, Monterey Bay Community Power, Monterey Bay Air Resources District, Monterey Regional Waste Management District, Central California Alliance for Health, Alternative Energy and Environment Committee, Fort Ord Committee, Community Alliance for Safety and Peace, Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, Local Agency Formation Commission, Human Resources Committee, Budget Committee and Health and Human Services Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker served as Chair of the Board of Supervisors in 2011 and 2016, and Chair of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority during 2019 and 2020, taking on additional workload and leadership responsibilities in those roles; and

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WHEREAS, Jane Parker applied her energy, enthusiasm, and unwavering commitment to the community by working six and sometimes seven days a week, from early morning into the evening, meeting with constituents, listening to diverse ideas and viewpoints, never failing to show respect for people and process, and while working these working long hours managed to beat back her well-funded and well-known challengers during the 2012 and 2016 elections with impressive numbers; and

WHEREAS, Jane Parker is widely recognized and respected as a powerful force in Monterey County politics, loved and appreciated by many, and who will be missed in her retirement as Supervisor;

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of Monterey County and the citizens thereof, hereby extends heartfelt congratulations to Supervisor Parker on a well-deserved retirement from her service as Monterey County District Four Supervisor, and wishes for happiness and fulfillment in all her future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of ___, 2020, by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisor of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original order of the Board of Supervisors, duly made and entered into the minutes of the meeting, dated above.