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

Resolution proclaiming the Week of May 3 - 11, 2014)As "Travel & Tourism Week" in Monterey County)

**WHEREAS,** travel matters to the nation's economic prosperity and its image abroad, to business wealth and to individual travelers; and

**WHEREAS,** travel to and within the United States provides significant economic benefits for the nation, generating \$2 Trillion in economic output in 2012, with \$855.4 billion spent directly by travelers that spurred an additional \$1.1 trillion in other industries; and

**WHEREAS,** travel is among the largest private-sector employers in the United States, supporting 14.6 million jobs in 2012, including 7.7 million directly in the travel industry and 6.9 million in other industries; and

**WHEREAS,** travelers' spending directly generated tax revenues of \$128.8 billion for federal, state and local governments, funds used to support essential services and programs; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2012 total travel spending in Monterey County was \$2.3 billion contributing to \$57.9M in local tax receipts and generating 21,910 jobs; and

**WHEREAS,** international travel to the United States is the nation's largest single export industry – greater than the export of business services, machinery, computer and electronic products, motor vehicles and agriculture. In 2012, travel generated \$168.1 billion in exports, creating \$45 billion in balance of travel trade surplus for the U.S.; and

**WHEREAS,** meetings, events and incentive travel are core business functions that help companies strengthen business performance – averaging a return on investment of \$12.50 in profits and \$3.80 in revenue for every dollar spent on corporate travel – align and educate employees and customers, and reward business accomplishments; and

**WHEREAS,** leisure travel, which accounts for more than three-quarters of all trips taken in the United States, spurs countless benefits to travelers' creativity, cultural awareness, education, happiness, productivity, relationships and wellness; and

WHEREAS, travel is a catalyst that moves the national economy forward.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim **May 3-11, 2014** as **Travel and Tourism Week** in Monterey County and urge all citizens to join me in this special observance with appropriate events and commemorations.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 22<sup>st</sup> day of April 2014, upon motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting on \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Dated:

Gail T. Borkowski Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Monterey, State of California.

By\_\_\_\_

Deputy