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

Resolution No. Honoring **John Wesley Tomkinson** as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission's "Veteran of the Year" for 2012.

WHEREAS, each year the County of Monterey and County Veterans Services Advisory Commission honors those who have made a significant contribution in their communities, are strong motivators, have demonstrated extraordinary professional competence and are strong role models for veterans and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission is honored to recognize **John Wesley Tomkinson** as a 2012 Monterey County "Veteran of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson served in the United States Marines Corps; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson became involved with the Carmel American Legion Post 512, served as Post Commander for two terms, and was called up on to serve as the Commander of the 28th District of the American Legion, Department of California; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson spent his time as Commander for the District helping to improve post relations and strengthen Post Service Officers programs; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson traveled the State of California during his tenure and made his reputation as a hardworking and caring Legionnaire known across the state; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson took charge and with the support of the United Veterans Council of Monterey County, launched the Stand Down! Campaign for homeless veterans on Tuesday, June 19th, 2012; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson has actively and effectively continued to serve his country in the cause of veterans throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, John Wesley Tomkinson is an outstanding example of the dedicated veterans working here on the Central Coast, and throughout all of Monterey County, to better our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, honors **John Wesley Tomkinson** as a 2012 Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Committee "Veteran of the Year" and wishes him continued success, peace and happiness in all of his future endeavors.