

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

Resolution No.:

Resolution recognizing the Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Office

WHEREAS, Throughout our nation's history, brave men and women in uniform have answered to the call of duty to defend and protect our freedom; and

WHEREAS, Veterans form a vital part of our community, our workforce, and the employers that hire veterans benefit from their diverse set of skills; and

WHEREAS, The Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Office (MVAO) provides advocacy, assistance and services designed to enhance the lives of Monterey County Veterans who served their country in the Armed Forces and active military personnel, their families and their survivors; and

WHEREAS, The Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Office annual activity report is vital to track our progress in assisting our service members and veterans; and

WHEREAS, In 2019-2020, the Military and Veterans Affairs Office served 14,924 veterans and dependents throughout Monterey County and filed a total of 4,869 benefit claims; and

WHEREAS, The Military and Veterans Affairs Office made 859 new contacts at 70 outreach events and achieved an outstanding 96% customer satisfaction rating during the same period; and

WHEREAS, The Military and Veterans Affairs Office have realized disability retroactive payments totaling \$4,866,176 and \$8,955,216 disability compensation monthly payments, annually; and

WHEREAS, The Military and Veterans Affairs Office has helped waive \$1,667,070 of college tuition fees; and

WHEREAS, In 2019, the Military and Veterans Affairs Office was awarded \$50,000 by the California Department of Veteran Affairs (CalVet) to provide mental health services to veterans; and

WHEREAS, The Military and Veterans Affairs office distributes a veteran's quarterly newsletter called the LIGHTFIGHTER to provide important services information for veterans; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors the Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Office and commends them for all their unselfish hard work and dedication to all veterans and their families in Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2020, 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 _____, 2020.

Dated:

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

By _____
Deputy