Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Resolution

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WHEREAS, Juneteenth marks the day in 1865 when enslaved people in Galveston, Texas, were finally informed of their freedom, two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by United States President Abraham Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is a time to celebrate freedom, to reflect on the past, and to work towards a more just and equitable future; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth became a federal holiday recognized on June 17, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Local community groups organize vibrate celebrations in Monterey County to commemorate **Juneteenth**; and

WHEREAS, The remnants of slavery continue to adversely affect our communities and racial discrimination in housing, healthcare, and other fields continue to be a challenge despite the passage of laws to end discrimination based on racial identity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby commemorates **Juneteenth**.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Monterey reaffirms its commitment to fighting for racial justice and equality for all people.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 13th day of June 2023

Chair Supervisor Luís A. Alejo

Vice Chair Supervisor Glenn Church

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Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

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