

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution Honoring Adele Fresé as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Commission's Veteran of the Year for 2021

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

WHEREAS, The Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission is honored to recognize Adele Fresé as a 2021 *Veteran of the Year*; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé began her public service career in 1985 as an active duty member of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, she joined the Corpus Christi Police Department as a patrol officer and rose through the ranks to field training officer, senior officer, lieutenant, and deputy chief; and

WHEREAS, In 2016, Adele Fresé became the first woman Chief of Police for the City of Salinas, where she led 230 law enforcement officers and professional staff in the protection of life and property to 170,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé is credited with significant and historic reductions in crime, including an 85% reduction in homicides over a 5-year period. She also implemented recommendations of the U.S. Department of Justice through a collaborative reform process; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration from California State University at Hayward, a minor degree in Sociology in 1992 and a Master of Science in Public Safety in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé has volunteered in many capacities throughout her career: President, Monterey County Chiefs Law Enforcement Association, California Police Chiefs Association – Region Representative, YWCA Monterey County, 2020-Present, Monterey County Rape Crisis Board of Directors, 2017-2020, Rotarian, Salinas Downtown Rotary, 2017-Present, Volunteer member -Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, 2015-2016, Volunteer - Chairperson and Advisor, Learning for Life-Explorers - 18 years; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé also volunteered at Wesley Community Center - 4 years, Member, Police Executive Research Forum, Past Member, Hispanic Women's Network of Texas, Volunteer - Executive Board Member, Boys & Girls Club of Corpus Christi, Coordinator & Volunteer, Corpus

Christi Graffiti Coalition - 3 years, Co-founder and past Volunteer Member, North Side Manor Housing Committee - 4 years, Reads to hundreds of children in Monterey County, Serves Food to unsheltered population; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé's most recent awards include Partner of the Year by Homeland Security Investigations San Francisco, The Community Peace Award from the Monterey County Child Abuse Prevention Council, and the top agency award in Community Policing by the California Community Policing Institute; and

WHEREAS, Adele Fresé is married and has four beautiful children and four grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors Adele Fresé as a 2021 Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Commission *Veteran of the Year* and thanks her for her exemplary service and dedication to the people of Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria 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 _____, 2021.

Dated:

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

By _____
Deputy