

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution to recognize and honor **Ramon “Ray” Melendez** upon his retirement as Librarian II, Support Services Manager, after 38 years of exemplary service to Monterey County Free Libraries (MCFL).

WHEREAS, Ramon “Ray” Melendez began his distinguished career with Monterey County Free Libraries (MCFL) in 1987 and, for the past 36 years, has faithfully served as the supervisor and manager of the Support Services Team at the Administrative Offices; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, **Ray Melendez** has performed an expansive range of responsibilities, including Interlibrary Loan (ILL), Physical Processing, Cataloging, Delivery, Car Maintenance, and Circulation—executing each duty with diligence, integrity, and excellence; and

WHEREAS, Ray Melendez has consistently gone above and beyond the call of duty, often arriving early, working late, or coming in on weekends to ensure that materials were cataloged, processed, and delivered on time rain or shine, thereby sustaining seamless access to vital library resources for the residents of Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, an unwavering dedication made **Ray Melendez** an essential member of numerous library teams and committees, including the Support Services Team, the Circulation Team, Collection Development, Technology Team, and the MOBAC Interlibrary Loan Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ray Melendez has shared his considerable knowledge and expertise generously, providing guidance and instruction on Interlibrary Loan services, Library by Mail, and WorldShare ILL systems to libraries and personnel within MCFL, throughout the MOBAC consortium, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Ray Melendez played a critical role in the successful planning and implementation of multiple Integrated Library System (ILS) migrations, ensuring operational continuity and modernized access to library services across the system; and; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors on behalf of all the County and its residents thereof, hereby recognizes and honors **Ramon “Ray” Melendez** upon his retirement and expresses its deepest gratitude for his extraordinary contributions, steadfast commitment, and unwavering passion for library services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that **Ray Melendez’s** legacy will long endure in the pages of Monterey County’s library history, and he shall be remembered as a trailblazer, mentor, and pillar of the Monterey County Free Libraries system.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ____ day of ____ 2025, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ 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 _____.

Dated:

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

By _____
Deputy