

Resolution No.

Adopt a resolution honoring **Mary Ann Carbone** upon her selection as the recipient of the **2024 Ruth Vreeland Memorial Public Official of the Year Award**.

WHEREAS, Mary Ann Carbone was born in Monterey, California and grew up in Seaside with her parents and 12 siblings in their home at 415 Francis Street. The family home was surrounded by oaks, eucalyptus, pine trees, and tulles with Roberts Lake in her backyard. That location now is better known now as Laguna Grande Park, and

WHEREAS, growing up in Seaside **Mary Ann Carbone** attended Seaside Elementary School, Fremont Jr High and Cypress High School and pursued continued education in the medical field, obtaining a degree in pharmacy. After receiving her degree, she decided to enter a non-traditional job and joined the Laborers International Union of North America (LIUNA #297). She worked in the commercial construction trades with her brothers in the 1980's until her retirement in 2009. It was during those construction days – in 1991 -- that Mary Ann was appointed to the Sand City Council. Upon that initial introduction to politics Mary Ann decided to be a voice for the community and vowed to serve her community well; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ann Carbone has three beautiful daughters Annie Marie, Erika and Ginearosa; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ann Carbone has served on the Sand City Council for 33 years, as Councilmember, Vice Mayor, and as Mayor for the past seven years. She is the first Indigenous woman Mayor in Sand City, as well as one of several indigenous elected officials in the state of California representing over 750,000 indigenous people in the state. Mayor Carbone not only represents her city well, but she continues to be a staunch advocate for the people, on issues affecting our regional community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ann Carbone offers leadership, integrity, and problem solving while working on many city and regional agencies, boards and committees: the Sand City Budget and Personnel Committee, the Sand City West End Committee, the Sand City Parks and Open Space Committee, Monterey Salinas Transit Agency, Monterey County Mosquito Abatement District, Association of Monterey Bay Area of Governments, Monterey County Mayors Association, Monterey Bay Air Resources Agency, Monterey One Water, Community Human Services, Central Coast Community Energy Policy advisor, the Superior Court Elimination of Bias Committee, the Calif League of Cities Regional Past President Monterey Bay Division, National League of Cities Local Indigenous Caucus Board Officer, and the Monterey County Airport Land Use Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mayor **Mary Ann Carbone** continues to advocate and address issues including racism, social justice, missing murdered indigenous people, sex trafficking, and works in the underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Lastly, in her spare time, **Mary Ann Carbone** continues to educate through speaking engagements in the schools during Native American month, quarterly outreach programs for needy native families through TANF – an organization which provides backpacks for children and encourages reading programs, and native linguistics. Mary Ann continues to mentor and encourage indigenous youth to remember their heritage and culture through summer culture camps and dance programs to enable them to carry on those teachings to the next generation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all the County and its residents thereof, hereby congratulates **Mary Ann Carbone** upon her selection as the recipient of the **2024 Ruth Vreeland Memorial Public Official of the Year Award**.

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