

*Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California*

Resolution No. 25-211

Approving the dissolution of the Veterans')
Issues Advisory Committee.)

WHEREAS, the Veterans' Issues Advisory Committee ("Committee") was formed with the primary purpose to champion Monterey County military and veteran residents' specific interests and issues on or near the former Fort Ord Army Base for the benefit of all military and veteran community members to include, disabled veterans, homeless veterans, and other military and veteran minority groups; and

WHEREAS, the Committee's specific areas of effort included: Liaison with elected federal, state, county and city officials; Liaison with the media to build public support; Liaison with the California Dept. of Veterans Affairs - Central Coast Veterans Cemetery; Liaison with veteran groups in adjacent counties regarding the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery; Liaison with the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Foundation; Liaison with county veterans' organizations; Liaison with county non-profits serving veterans; Identify and apply for veteran/military services grants if applicable; Coordinate with State legislature, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and other stakeholders for the reintegration of justice involved Veterans; Coordinate and assist with Veterans Treatment Court & Military Diversion Court; Coordinate with Homeless Veteran Service providers including affordable housing; Monitor and advise through completion and expansion of the California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery; Monitor and advise through completion and expansion of the Department of Defense/Veterans Affairs Clinic to include expanded services such as mental health & women veterans; Advocate for federal, state local parks or historical sites specific to Fort Ord and the Military & Veterans of the County of Monterey; Advocate and support the Ord Community (Community Center, Gym, Commissary, Post Exchange, Gas Station, Housing); Facilitates joint municipality efforts to accomplish common goals for the benefit of the Military & Veterans in Monterey County; Work to establish a Veterans Memorial Building utilizing California Military & Veterans Code; Work to establish ancillary Structure(s) depicted on the 2008 California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery/CAC Master Plan – Chapel, Museum, Amphitheater – immediately adjacent to the State Veterans Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors established the Committee through Resolution 20-217 on December 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Military and Veteran Affairs Advisory Commission ("MVAAC") currently serves as the liaison with elected federal, state, and county officials; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Military and Veteran Affairs Office ("MVAO") liaisons with County Veteran Service Offices ("CVSO") in adjacent counties regarding veterans issues; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has appointed community members who have executed the mission of the Committee through diligent public service; and

WHEREAS, the Committee met on April 24, 2025, and the Committee voted to seek dissolution of the Committee from the Board of Supervisors in light of completing the Committee's mission and handing over the Committee's duties and responsibilities to the MVAAC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County of Monterey and all residents thereof, dissolves the Veterans Issues Advisory Committee, and encourages the members and ex-officio members to join, attend meetings, and work with the Military and Veteran Affairs Advisory Commission of Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 17th day of June 2025, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Lopez, Askew, and Daniels

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

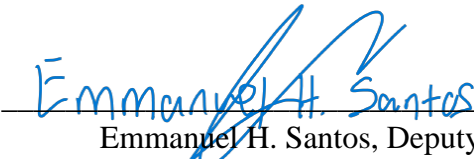
I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting on June 17, 2025.

Dated: June 20, 2025

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


Emmanuel H. Santos, Deputy