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

Resolution No.:
Adopt a resolution honoring the **Rainbow Connections** in celebration of **Pride Month – June 2025.**

WHEREAS, Pride Month is celebrated annually in the month of June to honor the historic and ongoing struggle for LGBTQIA+ rights, dignity, and visibility; and

WHEREAS, the **Rainbow Connections** Innovations project aims to build capacity among service providers, educators, school personnel, parents, caregivers and other adults in Monterey County to understand, identify and effectively respond to the needs of LGBTQ+ youth; and

WHEREAS, the **Rainbow Connection**'s work exemplifies the spirit of inclusion and community, providing safe spaces for youth and adults alike, hosting educational forums, cultural celebrations, and support services that uplift marginalized voices and foster belonging; and

WHEREAS, the **Rainbow Connections** project promotes the interconnection of youth serving systems and interagency collaboration to support improved mental health outcomes and functioning of LGBTQ+ youth and their families; and

WHEREAS, County of Monterey stands in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community and recommits itself to ensuring that all individuals—regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression—are treated with respect, fairness, and dignity; and

WHEREAS, Rainbow Connections and its collaborative partners are committed to uplifting and empowering LGBTQ+ youth across Monterey County by aligning our collective forces and resources to provide opportunities for them to express their authentic selves with PRIDE, at the forefront of these partners are Partners 4 Peace, The Epicenter, Harmony at Home, The Diversity Center, DragonFly Forward and You Will Rise to name a few.

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 the **Rainbow Connections** for its unwavering commitment to love, advocacy, and unity, and does proclaim the month of June as **Pride Month** in the County of Monterey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we encourage residents, businesses, and community leaders to support events and initiatives that celebrate diversity, promote understanding, and honor the contributions of the LGBTQIA+ community.

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