Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution honoring **Downtown Book & Sound** during **Banned Books Week**, **August 18-24**, **2024**.

WHEREAS, Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in libraries, bookstores, and schools; and

WHEREAS, Banned Books Week focuses on efforts to remove or restrict access to books, and draw national attention to the harms of censorship; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Book & Sound was founded to fill the community need for a new and used book store in Nobel prize-winning author John Steinbeck's hometown – Salinas, California; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Book & Sound is a source for local and historical knowledge-sharing between residents and tourists alike; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Book & Sound provides a communal safe space for children and adults alike to study; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Book & Sound is an accessible public space where members of the community can gather, collaborate, and engage in public programs; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Book & Sound has hosted over two hundred free author, book, and poetry events during their five-year history.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors **Downtown Book & Sound** during **Banned Books Week, August 18-24, 2024** for creating a communal space for residents and tourists alike to come together, enhancing community well-being.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this to wit:	day of,, by the follow	wing vote,
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	Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Su	pervisors

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County of Monterey, State of California.