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

Resolution No.:

Adopt Resolution Condemning the Murder of George Floyd and Urging Criminal Charges, Convictions and Sentencing Against All Four Police Officers Involved to the Full Extent of the Law

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2020, George Floyd, an African American man died at the hands of the four Minneapolis, Minnesota police officers; and

WHEREAS, this apparent unprovoked and intentional act of violence represents a blatant disregard for the dignity and sanctity of human life; and

WHEAREAS, the actions of these four police officers do not represent the thousands of men and women that serve and protect their respective communities with the highest level of professionalism, but their actions do impact the relationships between those communities and their respective police departments; and

WHEREAS, there have been many other tragic deaths of innocent persons at the hands of police officers who use excessive force, including Breonna Taylor, Philando Castile, Eric Garner, Tamir Rice, Sean Bell, Sandra Bland, Walter Scott and Oscar Grant, to name just a few; and

WHEREAS, these acts of the intolerable violence and other similar acts that have occurred across the country in recent years are deplorable and unconscionable, and must serve as wake-up call to every human being that recognizes life as both a gift and human right; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, condemns the murder of George Floyd at the hands of the four Minneapolis, Minnesota police officers and urges criminal charges, convictions and sentencing against all four to the full extent of the law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors joins with Americans all across our nation in expressing our condolences to the family of George Floyd and shares in the disbelief, sorrow, shame, and anger; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors joins the calls for systemic changes that address the decades of institutional racism and inequality across our nation that adversely impact communities of color; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors commits to our community that our county does not and will not tolerate, nor accept in any way, violent or disrespectful treatment of others that degrades dignity and disregards human life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors calls upon our communities and residents to join with us in committing to introspective evaluation of ourselves as public servants, community citizens and as brothers and sisters regarding this tragic event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors urges law enforcement leaders and other local governments to join us in denouncing the actions by the Minneapolis police officers and also review and reform their policies on the use of force, recruitment and officer training, including bias, de-escalation, language and cultural sensitivity, and mental health; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board transmit a copy of this resolution to the Minneapolis, Minnesota Mayor and City Council, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz, Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison, Governor Gavin Newsom, California Attorney General Xavier Becerra, Congressman Jimmy Panetta, State Senators Bill Monning and Anna Caballero, State Assemblymembers Robert Rivas and Mark Stone, County Sheriff Steve Bernal, and all mayors and city councils of Monterey County.

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