Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Resolution

Resolution No.: 22-415	
Resolution proclaiming October as National Women's Small)
Business Month in the County of Monterey)

WHEREAS, National Women's Small Business Month commemorates the signing of the Women's Business Ownership Act, which occurred in October of 1988; and

WHEREAS, prior to the 1988 legislation, women were required to have a male representative to cosign for their business loans; and

WHEREAS, female professionals, leaders, and small business owners play a vital role in our local economy, and when we empower women, it empowers the entire economy; and

WHEREAS, women small business owners are key job creators and employers that are building a legacy for the next generation of businesswomen; and

WHEREAS, the number of women-owned businesses in the United States has increased to nearly 13 million, at a rate double the national average, with women of color comprising the majority — making them the fastest-growing group of entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, this is a time to recognize the myriad achievements of our local female entrepreneurs and the positive impact they are making on jobs and the economy; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to designate the month of October as National Women's Small Business Month to celebrate women-owned businesses and the lasting impact to our economy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, do hereby proclaim October 2022 National Women's Small Business Month in the County of Monterey.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 18th day of October 2022

Supervisor Mary L. Adams, Chair

Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, Vice Chair

Supervisor John M. Phillips

Supervisor Chris Lopez

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

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