

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

Resolution No

Adopt Resolution honoring **Rolland Fletcher** as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission's "Veteran of the Year" for 2020.

WHEREAS, each year the County of Monterey and the Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Commission honors those who have made a significant contribution to their communities, are strong motivators, have demonstrated extraordinary professional competence and are role models for veterans and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission is honored to recognize **Rolland Fletcher** as a 2020 "Veteran of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, from 1967 to 1969, **Rolland Fletcher** served in the United States Army as a forward observer in III and IV Corps, and in the 25th Infantry Division, and was an advisor to the South Vietnamese army in the Delta; and

WHEREAS, since 1969 **Rolland Fletcher** has relentlessly volunteered to help veterans and promote peace. He is a longtime Monterey County resident whose continuous commitment to veteran advocacy is invaluable to our region; and

WHEREAS, since 1980 **Rolland Fletcher** began volunteering at the Salinas Valley State Prison helping incarcerated veterans. **Rolland Fletcher** took medical supplies to Vietnam in 1988 with Veterans for Peace and ran a local food bank outlet in Bank in Spreckels for Vietnam Veterans of Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, in 1991 **Rolland Fletcher** co-founded Veterans for Peace, Monterey Chapter Forty Six whose mission is to work with others to increase public awareness of the costs of war; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 **Rolland Fletcher** began volunteering at the California Training Facility, Soledad State Prison's veteran service office helping incarcerated veterans file for, and fight for, their Veteran Affairs benefits; and

WHEREAS, **Rolland Fletcher's** hard work and dedication to veterans makes him a gift to our communities and more importantly to the veterans he serves.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors **Rolland Fletcher**, a 2020 Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Committee "Veteran of the Year" and wishes him continued success, peace, and happiness in all of his future endeavors.