

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

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt Resolution Honoring **Mahi Shah** as the First Recipient of the Monterey County Youth Poet Laureate by the Arts Council for Monterey County.

**WHEREAS, Mahi Shah** is a junior at Notre Dame High School in Salinas; and

**WHEREAS, Mahi Shah** found her love for poetry after participating in, and winning the Monterey County Poetry Out Loud Competition in 2022 in her sophomore year; and

**WHEREAS, Mahi Shah** is the City of Salinas Vice Youth Poet Laureate; and

**WHEREAS, Mahi Shah** will be the first recipient of the Monterey County Poet Laureate by the Arts Council for Monterey County, with a one-year term starting in 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** This program celebrates youth voices that are committed to artistic excellence, civic engagement and social impact; and

**WHEREAS,** The Young Poet Laureate acts as an advocate and county ambassador for poetry, social action and the arts. They will champion their own poetic practice while also encouraging their peers to take part in the art form through readings, workshops and by representing the county at events and engagements; and

**WHEREAS, Mahi Shah** will elevate the exposure, participation and celebration of poetry in Monterey County through the lens of the youth in our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby recognize and honor **Mahi Shah** as the first recipient of the Monterey County Youth Poet Laureate by the Arts Council for Monterey County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

County of Monterey, State of California.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy