

RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 25-372

Adopt a resolution honoring the **Community Alliance for Safety and Peace** (CASP) on the **International Day of Non-Violence**, October 2, 2025......

WHEREAS, the International Day of Non-Violence, observed each year on October 2nd in honor of the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, serves as a global call to reject violence in all its forms and to pursue justice and peace through dialogue, collaboration, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, the Community Alliance for Safety and Peace (CASP) was established in 2009 through the visionary leadership of Salinas Mayor Dennis Donohue and Monterey County Juvenile Court Judge Jonathan Price, merging the efforts of the City of Salinas' Community Safety Alliance and the Violence Prevention Subcommittee of the Monterey County Children's Council; and

WHEREAS, CASP embodies the spirit of the International Day of Non-Violence through its steadfast commitment to non-violent solutions, community-centered strategies, and collective leadership that uplifts youth, families, and neighborhoods across Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, CASP has since grown into a cross-sector collaboration representing more than 60 member agencies—including education, law enforcement, health, judiciary, local government, youth-serving organizations, and the business and faith communities—all committed to reducing youth violence and transforming the culture of violence affecting Salinas and Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, CASP functions as a professional learning community, a policy advisory body, and a networking platform that fosters collaboration, coordination, and shared responsibility in violence prevention, intervention, enforcement, and re-entry efforts; and

WHEREAS, the CASP General Assembly—comprised of a multidisciplinary team of leaders—meets twice monthly to assess community needs, develop strategies, and align resources toward the shared vision of a peaceful and thriving community; and

WHEREAS, CASP's strategic and data-informed approach to violence reduction includes a comprehensive strategic plan first implemented in 2010 and updated in 2013 and again in 2018, guiding its member agencies in the coordinated use of labor and resources to produce sustainable, community-wide impact; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salinas serves as CASP's backbone agency, supporting the General Assembly and three active subcommittees that meet regularly to ensure accountability, continuity, and measurable progress toward the goal of safety, peace, and opportunity for all residents of Salinas and Monterey County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors and commends the Community Alliance for Safety and Peace (CASP) on the International Day of Non-Violence, October 2, 2025, for its unwavering dedication, collaborative leadership, and measurable impact in building safer, healthier, and more hopeful communities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 14th day of October 2025

Chair Supervisor Ohris Lopez

Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

Supervisor Glenn Church

Supervisor Luis A. Alejo

Supervisor Kate Daniels