

## RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 25-200

Adopt a Resolution Honoring Jesse Martinez, Employment and Training Worker

III, for His Dedicated Service of 33 Years and 9 Months to The County of

Monterey Department of Social Services Upon His Retirement......

WHEREAS, Jesse Martinez announced his retirement from public service as an Employment and Training Worker III for the Department of Social Services, effective June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Martinez has served the people of Monterey County for over 33 years, having been hired on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1991, at the Department of Social Services in the Community Benefits branch as an Eligibility Worker I, was promoted to Eligibility Worker II in March 1992, and Eligibility Worker III in January 1995. From there, Jesse Martinez was promoted to the position of Employment and Training Worker III on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Martinez was key to the County of Monterey being ranked among the top three (3) counties in California in the All Families Work Participation Rate (WPR) and successfully meeting and exceeding WPR performance goals for the past nine (9) years; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Martinez, as the senior facilitator of the CalWORKs Employment Services Job Search Workshop team, provided job coaching, training, advocacy, and hope to hundreds of Monterey County parents seeking self-sufficiency through employment and the resources needed to push through the significant barriers and stigmas faced by families in poverty; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Martinez continually supported his customers with an authentic and personal investment in their success and remained a positive influence and cheerleader as the families advanced their education, income, and confidence in their own abilities to achieve their goals and dreams; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Martinez was the first to offer his time, experience, and support to peers, supervisors, and customers who sought his guidance and were inspired by his knowledge, patience, and understanding of their stories of lived experience and perseverance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all of the residents thereof, hereby congratulates **Jesse Martinez** upon his retirement and wishes him success, good health, and happiness in all future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 24th day of June 2025

Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez

Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

Supervisor Glenn Church

Supervisor Duis A. Alejo

Supervisor Kate Daniels