

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution honoring **Dr. George Yellich** as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Commission's Veteran of the Year for 2021

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 **Dr. George Yellich** as a 2021 *Veteran of the Year*; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. George Yellich** served in the United States Navy from 1968 to 1981; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. George Yellich** (Retired Navy Commander/O-5, Dental Corps) founded Dentistry4Vets, a 501c(3) non-profit to provide free or very low-cost dental care to Veterans in Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties. Initially, **Dr. Yellich** and his team treated patients through a network of volunteer providers. As **Dr. Yellich** and the Dentistry4Vets effort grew, he secured donations to include a small clinic at the Montage Health Center in Marina; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Yellich** has also partnered with Community Foundations and the Veterans Transition Center to build resources and momentum for treating our community's homeless or very-low income Veterans who need dental care; and

WHEREAS, within the first two years of establishing Dentistry4Vets, the organization has treated over 150 veterans in various offices of the participating practitioners; and

WHEREAS, since **Dr. George Yellich** opened the new clinic in Marina, he has been able to establish regular clinic hours in a dedicated facility, resulting in more care to Veterans in our community. Since opening in November 2020, Dentistry4Vets and **Dr. Yellich** have provided free or very-low cost dental hygiene, extractions, prosthetics, and general dental care to over 70 Veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors **Dr. George Yellich** as a 2021 Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Commission *Veteran of the Year* and wishes him continued success, peace and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:
ABSENT:

I, Valeria 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 _____, 2021.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California.

By _____
Deputy