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

Resolution No. 13-157	
Resolution Proclaiming the month of May 2013)
As "Older Americans Month" in Monterey County)

WHEREAS, Monterey County is a region in which over 63,000 citizens age 60 and over make their home; and

WHEREAS, the growing population of older adults in Monterey County and throughout the nation are experiencing evolving needs; and

WHEREAS, *Older Americans* are valuable members of our society who have built and enhanced our communities and contributed to our lives; and

WHEREAS, the rising tide of baby boomers reaching traditional retirement age, makes imperative the need for increased support of and services for older adults; and

WHEREAS, these older community members are among the most active and involved citizens in our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of this and all U.S. communities to work collaboratively to address older adults' unique health and long-term care challenges; and

WHEREAS, it is crucial that communities both retain and modernize systems of care to empower *Older Americans* and give them control over their lives; and

WHEREAS, community based programs and services can improve older citizens' overall quality of life and encourage them to make lifestyle changes that reduce the risk of disease, disability, and injury; help them acquire the tools necessary to make informed decisions, thereby gaining better access to existing health and long-term care options in their communities and avoid placement in nursing homes and remain at home as long as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of May 2013 to be "*Older Americans Month*". We urge everyone to take time this May to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and citizens who support them. Empowering older citizens improves their lives and paves the way for future generations.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 21st day of May, 2013, upon motion of Supervisor Parker, seconded by Supervisor Salinas, by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisor Armenta, Calcagno, Salinas, Parker

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisor Potter

I, Gail T. Borkowski, 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 76 for the meeting on May 21, 2013.

Dated: May 21, 2013 File ID CR 13-060 Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Monterey, State of

California.

By___

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