Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Resolution

Resolution No.: 22-321

Resolution honoring and celebrating the life of Señora **Silvia Huerta** for her lifelong dedication to social justice and activism in the County of Monterey

WHEREAS Silvia Huerta was born on May 22, 1944 in Acambáro, Guanajuato, Mexico and passed away peacefully in her home there on July 23, 2022; and

WHEREAS Silvia Huerta moved to Salinas, California in 1970 where she worked as a farmworker, harvesting broccoli, celery and lettuce for 25 years; and

WHEREAS Silvia Huerta participated in countless community marches and meetings fighting for equality and justice for all. Silvia Huerta marched alongside one of history's greatest Mexican American labor and civil rights leaders Cesar Chavez to improve working and living conditions for farmworkers and their families across California; and

WHEREAS Silvia Huerta joined the farmworker movement to improve basic human rights and worked tirelessly to close the economic marginalization gap for underserved communities. Silvia Huerta contributed her time, energy, passion, and motivation to help the underrepresented in the Salinas Valley; and

WHEREAS Silvia Huerta would often travel to Sacramento to support legislation that would uplift and empower farmworkers, immigrants, and their families; and

WHEREAS Silvia Huerta is survived by her husband, Agapito; children Rocio and Francisco; grandchildren, Aimee Huerta Ibáñez, Keira Mariette Carranza, Ricardo Huerta, Isaac Uriel Carranza, Miguel Ángel Castañeda Jr.; and great granddaughter Keirani Rose Gonzalez.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, recognize and celebrate the life of Señora Silvia Huerta for her lifetime of activism and commitment to social justice, farmworkers, immigrants and the Latino community throughout Monterey County and beyond.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 23rd day of August 2022

Supervisor Mary L. Adams, Chair

Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, Nice Chair

Supervisor John M. Phillips

Supervisor Chris, Lopez

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew