

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

Resolution No.

Adopt Resolution commemorating the 100th Anniversary)
of the Castroville Branch of the Monterey County Free Libraries System.....)

WHEREAS, the *Castroville Branch Library* was founded on November 21, 1914 by County Librarian Anne Hadden in a store belonging to Mr. and Mrs. C.R. Witcher and has survived and has since flourished and grown in homes, post offices, hardware stores, novelty stores, and is now housed in a state-of-the-art library facility; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years *Castroville Branch Library* has been under the care of numerous dedicated people including: Mrs. C.R. Witcher (1914-1924); Mrs. J.L. Sloan (1925-1926); Alice McNamee (1926-1942); Mrs. Anthony Dutra (1942-1943); Mrs. Joseph Gambetta (1943-1954); Alta Newkirk (1958-1967); Evelyn Burchard (1967-1975); Parciel Priff (1976-1977); Adriana Greenawalt (1977-1980); Janice Seabolt (1980-1981); Marciel Priff (1981-1984); Myra Kong (1984 – 1989); Jennifer Watterson (1989-1990); Shirley Dawson (1990 – 2008); Kurt Ellison (2008 – 2013); and Erik Thurman (2013 – present); and

WHEREAS, the most recent highlight of the *Castroville Branch Library* was the opening of the state-of-the-art *Andy Ausonio Library* in September 2006; and

WHEREAS, the new 12,000 square foot facility was the result of ten years of planning and fundraising by staff and library supporters from the Castroville community. MCFL staff, county representatives, and local library supporters lobbied for and won \$3.1 million in funding through the California State Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2000. These funds and \$1.7 million in community grants and local donations made the dream of a new library by local philanthropist Andy & Nancy Ausonio an impressive reality; and

WHEREAS, *Andy Ausonio Library* is currently opened 36 hours a week and has a collection of over 30,700 items and 30 public computer workstations; and

WHEREAS, through presentations, tours, and outreach programs *Andy Ausonio Library* has provided invaluable educational opportunities to the members of the public, including thousands of school children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey, Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its citizens thereof, recognize **ANDY AUSONIO LIBRARY** for the tremendous impact they have made in the community and in the many lives they have touched and hereby congratulate them upon the occasion of their 100th anniversary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 2th day of December 2014, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to-wit:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSENT:

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 77 for the meeting on December 2, 2014.

Dated:
Gail T. Borkowski Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Monterey, State of California.

By _____
Deputy