



Monterey County

Board Order

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Resolution No. 13-318

Upon motion of Supervisor Calcagno, seconded by Supervisor Parker and carried by those members present, the Board of Supervisors hereby:

Adopted Resolution honoring Dr. Thomas H. Griffin as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission 2013 "Veteran of the Year". (Supervisor Potter)

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 22nd day of October 013, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Calcagno, Armenta, Salinas, Parker and Potter
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

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 October 22nd, 2013.

Dated: March 17, 2014
File Number: CR 13-104

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

By Denise Hancock
Denise Hancock, Deputy

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

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Adopt Resolution honoring **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission 2013 “Veteran of the Year”

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. Thomas H. Griffin** as a 2013 “Veteran of the Year”; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** served in the United States Army from 1963 to 1983, 1983 to 2010, and from 2001 to 2009; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** founded the Veterans Transition Center in 1998 which owns 40 homes on the former Fort Ord and is currently housing 55 homeless veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** continues to be a creative force behind the Veterans Transition Center program and has been its active leader since its inception. His determination to have the program succeed and his ability to navigate the sometimes politically loaded waters has kept the program alive and successful; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin’s** service since September 12, 2001 has included serving in California’s State Military Reserve until September 2009 as part of the State’s Military Department and National Guard; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** during the last five years, served as a Colonel and Brigade Commander, often gone on long commitments during state emergencies and has been involved in training National Guard soldiers for deployment to war zones; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** immigrated to America and took his commitment of service to his country very serious. He is a highly decorated soldier who knows the sacrifices and hardships of today’s Army; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** is unmatched creditably both in the Army as well as across the State and local community; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** was instrumental in the planning and implementation of the extremely successful first ever Monterey County Homeless Veterans “Stand Down” that took place in Salinas, California in June 2012, and for which plans are already in the works for “Stand Down” 2014; and

WHEREAS, **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** is a veteran who not only served his country both in peace and war but he continues to serve his community, his fellow veterans, and the indigent just as intensely and loyally as he did his country; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, honors **Dr. Thomas H. Griffin** as a 2013 Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Committee "Veteran of the Year" and wishes him continued success, peace and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED upon motion of Supervisor Calcagno, seconded by Supervisor Parker and carried this 22nd day of October 2013, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Calcagno, Salinas, Armenta, Parker and Potter
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

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 October 22th, 2013.

Dated: March 24, 2014
File Number: CR 13-104

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

By Denise Hancock
Denise Hancock, Deputy