

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

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt Resolution in Honor and Recognition of **Sara Boyns** for Her Dedicated Service to the Legal Community in the County of Monterey and for Receiving the Monterey County Bar Association's Gibson Award for Distinguished Community Service.

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** for more than three decades, has helped shape the employment law landscape of the Monterey Peninsula—not through flashy, high-profile cases aimed for public acclaim, but through the steady work of advising employers, sharing legal insight, and mentoring colleagues, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** a graduate of local public schools, the University of Utah, and Monterey College of Law, has built a reputation as a trusted counselor in employment law, helping businesses and employees navigate an increasingly complex legal landscape since the 1980s. She has spent most of her legal career at the Monterey firm Fenton & Keller, where she has built a practice focused on employment law compliance and defense, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** for over 20 years, wrote the Monterey Herald's biweekly legal column, *Workplace Law*, offering practical guidance and updates on employment issues to the public. The column, written with input from colleagues, has become a trusted resource for local employers and employees alike, and stands as a hallmark of her commitment to community education, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** as a partner, has been a valued mentor and leader at Fenton & Keller, where she has played a central role in shaping the firm's culture of inclusiveness and professional development. Whether serving in executive roles or offering quiet guidance behind the scenes, Ms. Boyns has remained committed to helping others build meaningful, sustainable careers in the law, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** professional life is intertwined with her longstanding support of community organizations. A graduate of Leadership Monterey Peninsula (Class of 1985), she has served on the boards of Girls Inc. of the Central Coast, Shoreline Church, Monterey County Women Lawyers Association, Barristers, Monterey County Bar Association, Central Coast Human Resources Association, the Lyceum of Monterey County, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Hospice Giving Foundation Golf Scramble Committee. Sara has also lent her skills to legal education, teaching legal writing at her alma mater, Monterey College of Law, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** over the years, her contributions have been recognized by local organizations. In 2019, she was named Businesswoman of the Year by the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce. In 2023, she received the Tanya Antle Visionary Award from Girls Inc. of the Central Coast, as well as the Lady Justice Lifetime Achievement Award from the Monterey County Women Lawyers Association, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** and her husband, Casey, are the proud parents of two children, Marisa and Christopher, and grandparents to Cassadee Lee, and

**WHEREAS, Sara Boyns** today, in her role as Of Counsel, remains deeply rooted in the community where she built both her family and her career, still guided by the same values that shaped her earliest days in practice: shared knowledge, quiet leadership, and a deep investment in the future of her community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby acknowledge, commends, and thanks **Sara Boyns** for her contributions through her dedicated community service to the people of Monterey County and wishes her much happiness and success.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

I, Valerie 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

Dated:

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

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy