



## Monterey County

### Board Order

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#### Resolution No.: 17-160

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

Adopted Resolution proclaiming the month of June 2017 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in Monterey County. (Supervisor Adams)

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Adams, Alejo, Phillips, Parker and Salinas

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 80 for the meeting on June 13, 2017.

Dated: July 21, 2017  
File ID: CR 17-069

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

By Denise Hancock  
Deputy

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

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**Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in Monterey County.....)**

**WHEREAS**, Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse is a serious and growing crisis in California, with Monterey County seeing sixty-three percent increase in reported cases to Adult Protective Services since 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse includes physical, sexual, psychological, emotional, financial and material abuse, abandonment, neglect, loss of dignity and respect, and this type of behavior leads to the violation of a human being's most fundamental right to live safely in the least restrictive environment; and

**WHEREAS**, current estimates suggest a few as one in fourteen cases of Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse is reported because the victims are ashamed, intimidated, experience hopelessness, or is afraid of the perpetrator who stands in the trust relationship; and

**WHEREAS**, Elder and Dependent Adult victims have a mortality rate three times that of the general population and are three hundred percent more likely to die a premature death; and

**WHEREAS**, private citizens and public agencies must work to combat crime and violence against Elder and Dependent Adults, prosecuting any and all perpetrators, particularly in the face of continued defunding of vital resources and services; and

**WHEREAS**, all Californians are strongly encouraged to be proactive in reporting suspected abuse of an Elder or Dependent Adult by contacting their local adult protective service agencies, Long-Term Care Ombudsman, law enforcement agencies, and/or emergency services; and

**WHEREAS**, June 15<sup>th</sup> is recognized internationally as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, first established in 2006 by the United Nations, to raise awareness of Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse and promoting a better understanding of the cultural, social, economic, and demographic issues behind the growing incidence of Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse around the globe;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its citizens thereof, hereby joins the California State Legislature in recognizing the month of **June 2017 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month**, therefore, urging residents of Monterey County to take time to acknowledge Elder Abuse as a substantial global public health issue, in need of educational resources, research, and policy changes that are detrimental to the longevity of our entire American society where the only boundary is age.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this official resolution be presented to the **Monterey County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council** on June 13, 2017.

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**NOES:** None

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