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

Resolution No. Resolution honoring **Cecil Bindel** as recipient of the NAACP Steven E. Ross award

WHEREAS, the Stephen E. Ross Award is in honor of Steven E. Ross, a well known community leader, activist and former Mayor of the City of Seaside, California; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Bindel is being presented the Stephen E. Ross Award for his tenure as President of the Monterey County Branch of the NAACP, his advocacy for civil rights and his countless contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Bindel was instrumental in breaking down countless racial barriers. He realized the struggles that black people faced and how they were treated in the United States and knew that he had to get involved and help; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Bindel and his wife Evelyn moved from Oregon to Seaside, California in 1950, where the couple opened an ice cream parlor, operated a bus depot and managed a pizza parlor on Fremont Street; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Bindel has been a guiding force for civil rights in Monterey County and has been a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for more than 55 years; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Bindel served as Chairman of the Peninsula Branch NAACP Labor Commission and was elected the first white President of the Branch from 1963 to 1966 and then again from 1970 to1975; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Bindel worked with former Seaside Police Chief Harry Landis to get blacks hired with the Seaside Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in 1964, the same year President Lyndon Johnson signed the Civil Right's Act, **Cecil Bindel** and more than 1,500 delegates from around the country attended the NAACP National Convention in Washington D.C.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, honors **Cecil Bindel** for his many significant contributions and accomplishments as a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Monterey County and wishes him continued success, peace, and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this _____ day of _____, 2012 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 Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book _____, for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

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

By_____

Deputy