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

Resolution No.: Adopt resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of ) the Voting Rights Act of 1965 on August 6, 2015.....)

**WHEREAS,** On August 6, 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the **Voting Rights Act** into law, and this landmark piece of federal legislation prohibits racial discrimination in voting, Congress later amended the **Voting Rights Act** five times to expand its protections; and

WHEREAS, the Voting Rights Act was designed to enforce voting rights, guaranteed by the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, the Voting Rights Act allowed for a mass enfranchisement of racial minorities throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, the Voting Rights Act contains numerous provisions that regulate the administration of elections and provide nationwide protections for voting rights; and

**WHEREAS,** the **Voting Rights Act** requires jurisdictions containing significant language-minority populations to provide bilingual ballots and other election materials; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Voting Rights Act** has been the single most effective tool in protecting the right to vote and assuring the integrity of the voting process in this century.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors does hereby join with the Monterey County Registrar of Voters to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 on August 6, 2015 and honor its significance.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors and the Monterey County Registrar will continue to protect the rights of voters in the County of Monterey and recognize the great contributions and achievements of our government leaders and civil rights activists for encouraging participation in the democratic process.

PASSED	AND	ADOPTED	on	this _		day	of	August	2015,	upon	motion	of	Supervisor
, seconded by Supervisor												by the	
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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 \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated:

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

Deputy

By\_\_\_\_