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

## **Resolution No.:**

Adopt resolution proclaiming the month of September 2015 as **National Food Safety Education Month** in Monterey County

**WHEREAS,** Working Together for Food Safety is the mission of the Monterey County Health Department, Environmental Health Bureau, and the Monterey County Food Safety Advisory Council; and

**WHEREAS,** the Monterey County Health Department, Environmental Health Bureau, has worked with the Food Safety Advisory Council to create the Monterey County *Gold Seal* award, as a symbol of a food facility's commitment to attaining substantial compliance with the California Retail Food Code *Cal Code* for safe food handling and preparation; and

WHEREAS, educators across the country recognize and encourage the observance of National Food Safety Education Month and have joined forces to mark this occasion; and

**WHEREAS,** working together strives to build awareness of the restaurant and food service industry's commitment to serving safe food, to heighten awareness and importance of food safety education, and to encourage additional food safety training for all industry employees; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that each year, roughly 1 in 6 Americans or 48 million people become ill, 128,000 are hospitalized, and 3,000 die of foodborne diseases, and even though most consumers have a fundamental knowledge of food safety, significant gaps in food safety knowledge are prevalent, and Government research shows these gaps in essential food safety knowledge result in increased risk of foodborne illness, and food safety education is vital to combat the public health threat that these deficiencies in food safety knowledge pose.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its citizens thereof, hereby proclaims the month of September 2015 as National Food Safety Education Month in Monterey County, and calls upon public and private organizations to celebrate with the Monterey County Health Department, Environmental Health Bureau, and the Monterey County Food Safety Advisory Council by participating in learning opportunities and activities that promote food safety.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the	is day of, 2015, by the following vote to wit:
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
foregoing is a true copy of an origin	oard of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the al order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of meeting on
Dated:	Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Monterey, State of California
	By,Deputy