

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

Resolution No.

Resolution commending **Robert Taniguchi**, Deputy Director,)
on his retirement from 20 years of dedicated public service with)
the Monterey County Department of Social Services.....)

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi began his public service career in Stanislaus County where he worked for 13 years, starting as a Social Worker in Child Welfare, then promoting to Social Work Supervisor II in Child Welfare, and, then promoting to a Program Manager II in Adult Services; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi came to Monterey County Department of Social Services in 1996 to serve as Deputy Director, a role he has held since that time, always bringing passion, creativity and strength to the Department's mission through his leadership of the Family and Children's Services and Adult Services Branches which provide protective services to children, dependent adults and seniors and his leadership of CalWORKs Employment Services which promotes family self sufficiency through social supports and employment assistance; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi led Family and Children's Services through the computerization of child welfare practice, and Child Welfare Redesign spearheading with his staff numerous initiatives that have included design of a model wraparound program, implementation of Family to Family, establishment of the CHERISH Center, development of Pathways to Safety, establishment of the Family Reunification Partnership, promotion of data sharing partnerships with Behavioral Health, centralization of intake processes, extension of foster care support for non-minor dependents, partnership to build the Family Stabilization Program, implementation of the Resource Family Approval process; and development of a family friendly Visitation Center; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi advocated successfully for increased community resources to serve families and youth in the Department's care, including support for the MCSTART Program, the Mentor Mom's parent partners program and encouragement to the youth who established a local Chapter of the California Youth Connection and the Epicenter; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi was instrumental in developing exemplary collaborative partnerships with Monterey County Behavioral Health, Monterey County Probation, Monterey County Office of Education, Hartnell College, California State Monterey Bay, and numerous community based providers of care and social support; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi, advocated steadfastly for the social work, supervisory and management employees who are at the heart of Family and Children Services; and has made significant contributions to the Department of Social Services through his leadership, vision, passion and creativity, improving the lives of children in Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi was the recipient of the 2006 Child Abuse Council Talcott Bates Award for his lifelong dedication as a visionary, as an innovator and as a leader in the promotion of prevention programs for abused and neglected children; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taniguchi served our community's children and families as a member of the Board of Trustees for the North Monterey County Unified School District from 2001 to 2008; and

WHEREAS, before his transition to the Aging and CalWORKs Employment Services Branch in March 2016, **Robert Taniguchi** was the most tenured member Child Welfare Director in the State of California; and during the tenure of **Robert Taniguchi**, Monterey County Family and Children's Services earned and maintained a record of outstanding Child Welfare outcomes in the State of California; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all the citizens thereof, hereby acknowledges **Robert Taniguchi's** contributions to the welfare of the residents of the County and congratulates **Robert Taniguchi** upon his retirement wishing him success, good health, and happiness in all future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED upon motion of Supervisor Salinas, seconded by Supervisor Phillips and carried this th day of _____ 2016, 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 of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 79 for the meeting on September , 2016.

Dated: September , 2016

File Number: CR

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

By _____
Deputy