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

Resolution No.:

Adopt Resolution proclaiming the month of June 2017 as Lesbian, Gay,

Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month in Monterey County.....)

WHEREAS, in June of 1969, patrons and supporters of the Stonewall Inn in New York City staged an uprising to resist the police harassment and persecution to which lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) Americans were commonly subjected, marking the beginning of a movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices against LGBT Americans; and

WHEREAS, in the four decades since the Stonewall Riots, civil rights for LGBT people have grown substantially, and LGBT pride celebrations have taken place around the country every June; and

WHEREAS, a family friendly Monterey County Pride Celebration and Parade was held on June 17, 2017 in Monterey County with a wide range of participants; and

WHEREAS, each day, more lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people are elected to public offices across the country, serve in the United States Armed Forces, occupy the highest positions in business, participate in religious and spiritual communities, and serve as role models for all; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the progress we have made in creating a community more inclusive and accepting of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and the transgender while recognizing that LGBT individuals continue to suffer discrimination, hostility and exclusion at almost every level of society, including in areas of housing, employment, healthcare, family law, immigration, religious, and marriage equality; and

WHEREAS, LGBT youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide than other youth, and LGBT youth raised in households that reject them are nearly nine times more likely to attempt suicide than those raised in accepting households, and while seven percent of youth identify as LGBT, they make up forty percent of homeless youth; and

WHEREAS, to achieve a just and fair society, we must not only respect one another, but also appreciate our differences, recognize the common good in all of us, and celebrate diversity as one of our greatest strengths; and

WHEREAS, all people deserve to live with dignity and respect, free from fear and violence, and protected against discrimination, regardless of their gender identity or sexual orientation and we understand the unique challenges faced by sexual and gender minorities -- especially transgender and gender non-conforming individuals -- and are taking steps to address them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all of the citizens thereof, proclaim June 2017 as "**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and**

Transgender Pride Month" in Monterey County call upon all residents to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists, and to celebrate the great diversity of our County.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all of the citizens thereof, proclaim support for efforts, including the Monterey County Peninsula Pride Celebration and Parade, that increase awareness, acceptance, and inclusion of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender individuals.

PASSED AND ADOPTED	on this, by the following vote, to-wit:
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
California, hereby certify that	of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of at the foregoing is a true copy of an original orders said Board of entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book for the
Dated:	Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of
Supervisors	
	County of Monterey, State of California
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