

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt resolution declaring September 2018, as “**Native American**)
Heritage Month” in Monterey County.....)

WHEREAS, Monterey County Native Americans have contributed and continue to contribute immeasurably to our County’s history, diversity, economy, and culture by distinguishing themselves as academics, entrepreneurs, and leaders, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, The Ohlone Costanoan have contributed over thirteen-thousand years of cultural, economic and environmental traditions to the history of the Monterey Bay Region; and

WHEREAS, Ohlone Costanoan have contributed to the present day understanding of Native American culture and history and who continue to work diligently to preserve the environment and teach people how to co-exist with Earth: and

WHEREAS, Native Americans have preserved their rich heritage, which is among the world’s great cultural treasures, in the face of adversity; and

WHEREAS, Native American heritage and culture is richly interwoven with Monterey County’s diverse social fabric; and

WHEREAS, through their rich cultural traditions and proud ancestry, Native Americans have made vital contributions to the strength and diversity of our society in such areas as law, medicine, business, education, and the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, despite a tragic past, Native Americans have been generous citizens and proudly served in the United States Armed Forces for over 200 years, defending the security of our state and nation with their lives, including engaging in World War II and Operation Iraqi Freedom, with honor, determination, and distinction; and

WHEREAS, the work of Native American leaders has sought to bridge racial, socioeconomic, and environmental barriers by empowering and educating people in order to protect Native American culture and heritage for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans have faced numerous barriers to business development, but have overcome those barriers to persevere and contribute to Native American communities throughout the county, state and country, and exemplify Native American entrepreneurship in such areas as economic development, the food service industry, health care, and banking finance; and

WHEREAS, The Monterey County Board of Supervisors takes great pride in its diversity, and desires to commemorate the history and heritage of Ohlone/ Costanoan-Esselen Nation, Muwekma Ohlone Tribe, and Amah Mutsun Tribal Band which have documented themselves as the aboriginal and historical tribe within their respective tribal territories, and whose ancestors built and were missionized into the seven missions spanning from Monterey to the San Francisco Bay regions; and

WHEREAS, as we celebrate the contributions of Native Americans to the County, let us recognize the success of tribal businesses and the rise of tribal members in all walks of life as a testament to the resilience and enduring spirit of our native peoples.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens, hereby proclaim the month of September 2018 as “Native American Heritage Month” in Monterey County, and encourages all citizens to participate in appropriate observances with activities that celebrate and commemorate Native Americans as a symbol of hope and courage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ____ day of ____ 2018, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

I, Valerie Ralph, 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:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,
County of Monterey, State of California

By _____
_____, Deputy