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

**Resolution No.:** Adopt Resolution: Recognizing March 8 ) As International Women's Day.....)

**WHEREAS**, In 1911 International Women's Day was honored for the first time in Austria, Demark, Germany, and Switzerland and is celebrated across the world as International Women's Day; and

**WHEREAS**, March 8 is celebrated across the world as International Women's Day and provides an opportunity to recognize and reflect on the progress made to advance women's equality, to celebrate the gains made by women in our society, and to reflect on the challenges and barriers which women continue to face; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that women have played an extraordinary role in our history and continue to be a source of strength and leadership in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, on this day women can celebrate the progress that has been made but also contemplate those areas of women's lives where more can be done. Women's access to education, health care, and paid labor has improved, and legislation that promises equal opportunities and respect for their human rights has been adopted in many countries; and

**WHEREAS**, nowhere in the world can women claim to have all the same rights and opportunities as men, and until we all work together to secure the rights and full potential of women, lasting solutions to social, economic, and political problems are unlikely to be found; and

**WHEREAS**, we need to see changes that transform relationships between women and men so women will be able to take greater financial, political, and physical control of their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, International Women's Day addresses the social, economic and political barriers still facing women and girls while celebrating their achievements and the progress that have been made in support of women's equality.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the citizens of Monterey County, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2019 as "International Women's Day" and call upon all people of Monterey County to observe this day and consider these issues and celebrate girls and women.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

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

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy