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

Resolution No.	
Proclaim the week of November 4 th through)
November 8 th , 2019 as National Animal)
Shelter Appreciation Week and encourages)
all pet owners to act responsibly and support)
their local animal shelter	.)

WHEREAS, dogs and cats are an integral part of the quality of life of our community, with approximately 16,000 pet dogs and 17,000 pet cats living within unincorporated Monterey County areas and contracting cities; and

WHEREAS, approximately 3,500 animal shelters across the United States serve the estimated 6 to 8 million homeless animals each year and our own Monterey County Animal Services cared for approximately 2,800 homeless animals last year; and

WHEREAS, a significant portion of pets and pet owners need the help of animal shelters every year; and

WHEREAS, animal shelters act as safe havens for homeless and abused animals, providing them with comfort and care; and

WHEREAS, animal shelter employees, like police officers and emergency medical personnel, must respond to the needs of the community, keeping animals and humans safe from harm, and

WHEREAS, animal shelters help both animals and people in many ways: by returning lost pets to their owners, enforcing animal control and licensing laws, rescuing injured animals, educating the public, matching homeless animals with loving new families and providing spay/neuter services to help reduce pet overpopulation; and

WHEREAS, Monterey County Animal Services has a professional and dedicated staff that provides much needed services to animals and the public; and

WHEREAS, the staff at Monterey County Animal Services worked tirelessly in 2018-2019 to find new adoptive homes, rescue via an approved rescue partner or located owners for approximately 1,400 animals that came through its doors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the week of November 4th through November 8th, 2019 as National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week and encourages all pet owners to act responsibly and support their local animal shelter.

PASSED AND ADOPTED upon motion of Supervisor ______, seconded by Supervisor ______, and carried this _____ day of ______, 2019 by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: I, _____, 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 Minute Book._____ for the meeting on

Dated: File Number:

_____.

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

By: _____

Deputy