

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

**Resolution No.**

Proclaim the day of March 7<sup>th</sup> as **Ventana Wilderness Day** )  
and honor the commitment of the Ventana Wilderness Alliance..... )

**WHEREAS**, outdoor recreation annually contributes over \$1 billion to Monterey County's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2000, the newly founded Ventana Wilderness Alliance VWA inventoried lands within the Los Padres National Forest, Monterey Ranger District, to determine their suitability for federal designation as wilderness and the findings provided basis for the Big Sur Wilderness and Conservation Act, signed into law in December 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, public lands provide vital ecosystem services like fresh air, clean water, wildlife habitat, and the Ventana Wilderness Alliance volunteers have dedicated tens of thousands of stewardship hours to these lands; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ventana Wilderness protects the headwaters of six major rivers, as well as Monterey County's largest expanse of public lands; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ventana Wilderness Alliance and the Los Padres National Forest, Monterey Ranger District are leading the effort to protect and preserve these invaluable natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ventana Wilderness Alliance accomplishes its mission by tackling three program areas: advocacy, stewardship, and youth education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ventana Wilderness Alliance is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its residents thereof, hereby proclaims March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as **Ventana Wilderness Day** and recognizes the commitment and contributions by the Ventana Wilderness Alliance members and volunteers.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 2020, upon motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria 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:

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

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