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

## **Resolution No.:**

Adopt Resolution recognizing **Dr. John Jameson**upon his retirement from Natividad Medical Center.....)

WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson was born in Manhattan, New York in 1947; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson** attended Andover Phillips Academy, where he was president of the chess club, and continued his education at Harvard University, where he graduated cum laude in in three years; and

**WHEREAS,** during the Vietnam era **Dr. John Jameson** joined the Special Forces, where his role as a Green Beret was to organize, train, and equip local forces for jungle warfare, and to serve behind enemy lines if called upon; his training as a Green Beret medic ultimately led to his interest in medicine;

**WHEREAS**, while attending the University of New Mexico Medical School **Dr. John Jameson** found endless sitting for classes to be intolerable and finished his M.D. by simply staying home and reading the material on his own, never attending class again except for exams. A residency at University California, San Diego followed, with an extra year to obtain a Fellowship in Blood Banking; and

WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson is that rarity in current society – a true Renaissance man – with a vast knowledge in astronomy, planetary science, history, chemistry, physics, political science, classical music, and a special love for mathematics and the beauty of numbers. He speaks English, French, German, Spanish, and a smattering of Russian, and had a passion for mountaineering (particularly in Peru) and hang-gliding, where he recalls having to outrun a thunderstorm at 18,000 feet, without oxygen, and seeing a jetliner in the distance a mile below him; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson's** hand-gliding adventures unfortunately led to a severe crash that left him with a fractured back and a lifetime of pain, yet this never stopped him from approaching challenges with determination and a wonderful sense of humor; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson** served as Chief Pathologist at Natividad Medical Center for over 30 years, always supporting this hospital which had initially struggled greatly, to become a nationally recognized trauma center; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson** felt privilege to work at an institution dedicated to caring for the disadvantaged, a role he cherished in a hospital he loved, proud to be surrounded by people who truly cared about what they were doing, and wanted to give the finest care to their community; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. John Jameson** has been married for 39 years this July, with his family, including his son and daughter, being the light of his life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its residents thereof, wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the dedicated service of **Dr. John Jameson** to Natividad Medical and wishes him success, health and happiness is his future endeavors.