

County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

Board Report

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Adopt Resolution commending **Carla Diane Wright** upon her Selection as the National Steinbeck Center's 2012 Valley of the World Hall of Fame honoree (Supervisor Parker)

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright is a graduate of Seaside High School, and she attended and obtained her degree and life time teaching credential from The University of the Pacific;

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright is a teacher at Ord Terrace Elementary School in the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District, and has been a member of its faculty for 33 years;

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright's unique presentation style incorporates a major part of her personality and interests into learning and is also designed to make learning fun. Her classroom environment is exciting, colorful, and student oriented, however students are expected to abide by set standards, but are given much support, nurturing care, and positive reinforcement;

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright has dedicated herself to enriching her students' education by incorporating agriculture into her class curriculum, perhaps her embracement of the agriculture community stems from her personal curiosity and willingness to experience new perspectives and cultures after growing up as an "army brat" overseas;

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright has furthered her personal knowledge of agriculture as a member of Class XIII Agriculture Seminar for Educators, and shares her knowledge and expertise of using agriculture themes for instruction, at the state wide level, by presenting at regional and state teacher conferences;

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright is an advocate for agricultural literacy and awareness and annually takes a strong leadership role in structuring and facilitating Monterey County Agricultural Education, Inc "Farm Day Experience"; and

WHEREAS, Carla Diane Wright outside accomplishments include recognition, by the Seaside Kiwanis Club as an outstanding teacher, teaching drama for the Peninsula Lyceum, serving as a Board member of the Monterey "Big Buddy" program, 1994 Lou Flagg Award for Excellence in Teaching presented by Lori and Lou Flagg Memorial Youth Fund of the Community Foundation for Monterey County, 2003 California Foundation for Agriculture In The Classroom Outstanding Educator, 2003 Excellence in Teaching About Agriculture A National Awards Program presented by United States Department of Agriculture, Agriculture in the Classroom and Agriculture In The Classroom Consortium, 2002-2008 serving as Board member for Monterey County Agriculture Education, Inc., The Spirit of Agriculture 2010 presented by Monterey County Agriculture Education, Inc., and she has also received Resolutions of Commendations from State Senator Henry J. Mello, Monterey County Board of Supervisors, The Honorable Bruce McPherson, and Monterey County Board of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, congratulates Carla Diane Wright on her selection as the National Steinbeck

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Center's 2012 Valley of the World Hall of Fame honoree, and wishes her continued success in all of her future endeavors.