

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt Resolution Recognizing the **Read to Me Project** and Proclaiming September as **Literacy Leadership Month** in Monterey County

WHEREAS, The **Read to Me Project**, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2011, has a mission to help underserved children achieve kindergarten readiness and a lifetime of literacy by empowering grade school students to read to their younger siblings, fostering long-term academic success, social connection, and emotional growth; and

WHEREAS, The **Read to Me Project's** innovative leadership-through-literacy model uplifts not only the students they serve, but also their younger siblings, families, teachers, schools, and broader communities, providing an evidence-based approach to breaking the cycle of generational illiteracy; and

WHEREAS, Since its founding, the **Read to Me Project** has expanded to serve more than 4,000 students across over one hundred classrooms throughout Monterey County, prioritizing schools and families with the greatest needs while empowering older students to become confident leaders and role models in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Literacy continues to be a crisis at the local, state, and national levels, requiring ongoing commitment and innovative solutions; and

WHEREAS, The **Read to Me Project** affirms that literacy is more than an academic skill, it is a gateway to opportunity, equity, and stronger, more resilient communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all its residents thereof, hereby recognizes the **Read to Me Project** for its outstanding contributions to education and community leadership, and proclaims **the month of September as Literacy Leadership Month** in Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025, 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 _____, 2025.

Dated:

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

By _____

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Deputy