

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a Resolution recognizing **Marlo Schalesky** as the recipient of the “**2026 Community Alliance for Safety and Peace Award**” for excellence and impact in violence reduction.

WHEREAS, the Community Alliance for Safety and Peace (CASP) is a cross-sector collaboration committed to reducing youth violence and transforming the culture of violence impacting the families, neighborhoods, and communities of Salinas and Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, CASP advances its mission through the For Our Future / Para Nuestro Futuro campaign, a community-driven strategy grounded in data, centered on youth, and strengthened through deep and meaningful community engagement; and

WHEREAS, CASP unites more than 60 partner agencies in coordinated efforts across prevention, intervention, enforcement, and re-entry to create both immediate and long-term positive outcomes for the community; and

WHEREAS, The **Safety and Peace Award** recognizes individuals who demonstrate excellence and measurable impact in advancing one or more of the PIER violence reduction strategies; and

WHEREAS, **Marlo Schalesky**, Founder and Executive Director of Wonder Wood Ranch, has been selected for the Safety and Peace Award in recognition of her dedication to intervention and healing-centered approaches for youth impacted by trauma; and

WHEREAS, Since 2016, Wonder Wood Ranch has provided equine therapy to trauma-impacted youth in Monterey County, particularly those who have been turned away from other services due to involvement in the Juvenile Justice system or high-risk behaviors; and

WHEREAS, **Marlo Schalesky’s** consistent, dependable, and non-judgmental support creates a safe and restorative environment for youth, aligning with CASP’s PIER goals and contributing to successful outcomes for program participants; and

WHEREAS, **Marlo Schalesky’s** compassionate leadership and commitment to serving the most vulnerable youth is reflected in the words of a program graduate who shared that she “has space in her heart to help heal others,” demonstrating the profound and lasting impact of her work.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, on behalf of the County and all its residents thereof, hereby recognizes and congratulates **Marlo Schalesky** as the recipient of the “**2026 Community Alliance for Safety and Peace Award**” and commends her outstanding leadership, service, and contributions to violence reduction and community healing in Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ____th of April 2026, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valerie 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:

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

By _____
Deputy