

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

Resolution No.

Adopt a resolution honoring **Sam Cunningham** as a Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Commission's Veteran of the Year for 2025.

WHEREAS, each year the County of Monterey and the Monterey County Veterans Services Advisory Commission honor those who have made a significant contribution to their communities, are strong motivators, have demonstrated extraordinary professional competence, and are role models for veterans and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Military and Veterans Services Advisory Commission is honored to recognize **Sam Cunningham** as a 2025 *Veteran of the Year*; and

WHEREAS, **Sam Cunningham** served in the United States Marine Corps from January 25, 1982, to February 17, 1985, dedicating three years to military service and demonstrating honor, courage, and commitment; and

WHEREAS, following his separation from the Marine Corps, **Sam Cunningham** continued his service to the community by volunteering and mentoring youth in his community; and

WHEREAS, **Sam Cunningham** cultivated strong collaborations with from the Seaside Police Department, middle schools, high schools, continuation, and probation schools to mentor young men without a father figure or positive influence in their lives.; and

WHEREAS, through volunteering KEYS 2 LIFE, **Sam Cunningham** has helped provides mentorship, spiritual guidance and imparts wisdom as an "Opportunity Giver" to young people to see that they can become something great. That they don't have to fall into the pitfalls of their own trauma, hurt, pain, violence, drugs, and gangs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors **Sam Cunningham** as a 2025 Monterey County Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Commission Veteran of the Year and wishes her continued success, peace, and happiness in all her future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ___ day of ____ 2025, 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