

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

**Resolution No.**

Adopt a resolution honoring **Steven Adams** for his distinguished career in public service and congratulating him on his well-deserved retirement as City Manager of King City.

**WHEREAS, Steven Adams** is retiring after more than forty-three years of dedicated public service, including ten years as City Manager of the City of King City from 2015 until his retirement in February 2026; and

**WHEREAS, Steven Adams** holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, and a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Southern California; and

**WHEREAS, during his career in municipal leadership, Steven Adams** served in executive roles in the City of Westlake Village and as City Manager of the City of Arroyo Grande for over fourteen years, where he demonstrated effective governance, fiscal stewardship, and a collaborative approach to community leadership; and

**WHEREAS, appointed during a challenging period for King City, Steven Adams** provided steady leadership that restored public trust, stabilized city operations, and guided the community through recovery and growth; and

**WHEREAS, under Steven Adams' leadership, King City** eliminated a five-million-dollar negative fund balance, established strong financial reserves, and achieved long-term fiscal stability; and

**WHEREAS, Steven Adams** advanced public safety and youth development by fully implementing the Comprehensive Plan to End Youth Violence, including the PRO Youth HEART after-school program, resulting in significant reductions in gang activity and shootings; and

**WHEREAS, Steven Adams** led the revitalization of downtown King City, advanced major infrastructure and transportation projects including the King Station Multimodal Transit Center, and helped secure more than one hundred million dollars in grant funding for infrastructure, housing, and community initiatives; and

**WHEREAS, Steven Adams** supported housing stability and community well-being by securing grants for the Homekey permanent supportive housing program, utility assistance, and rental assistance for residents in need; and

**WHEREAS, Steven Adams** played a key role in the success of Operation Santa by supporting King City's role as fiscal agent, facilitating the receipt and management of funds, and personally ensuring the timely purchasing of food and toys, a level of hands-on fiscal support that led partners

to affectionately refer to him as *Steve Money Man Adams* for his reliability and commitment to helping deliver holiday support to hundreds of families each Christmas season; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his tenure in King City, **Steven Adams** actively supported civic engagement and community pride through his involvement with King City in Bloom, local service clubs, and volunteer activities, helping advance beautification efforts, community events, and a strong culture of public participation; and

**WHEREAS**, **Steven Adams'** legacy is defined by collaboration, fiscal responsibility, and a deep commitment to community service that has strengthened the quality of life in King City and the Salinas Valley.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, on behalf of the County and all of its residents, hereby acknowledges, commends, and expresses its deepest gratitude to **Steven Adams** for his decades of dedicated service, his visionary leadership as City Manager of King City, and his lasting contributions to the community, and congratulates him on his well-deserved retirement.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 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