

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution honoring **Melissa Nothnagle, MD, MSc**, Director of the Family Medicine Residency Program at Natividad Medical Center, upon her receipt of the *Nikitas J. Zervanos Outstanding Program Director of the Year Award*.

WHEREAS, Dr. Melissa Nothnagle is a nationally recognized leader in family medicine education with more than 14 years of experience directing residency programs, having served as program director at the Brown University Family Medicine Residency before joining Natividad Medical Center 8 years ago as Director of its Family Medicine Residency Program and Chief of Family Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Melissa Nothnagle was named the recipient of the *Nikitas J. Zervanos Outstanding Program Director of the Year Award*, the highest national honor bestowed upon a family medicine residency program director, presented jointly by the Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors (AFMRD) and the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) to recognize sustained leadership, mentorship of residents and students, community contribution, and service to family medicine, and received the honor at the AAFP Residency Leadership Summit in Dallas, Texas, in March 2026; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Melissa Nothnagle has earned significant national recognition throughout her career, including designation as a Gold Level Program Director by the AFMRD in 2021 and selection as an Inspire Award winner by the American Medical Women's Association in 2022 for her academic and clinical leadership in reproductive justice; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Melissa Nothnagle maintains a demanding and multifaceted portfolio at Natividad, supervising residents while sustaining her own patient panel, actively practicing obstetrics, and serving as an attending physician on the Family Medicine Inpatient Service, embodying the full-spectrum family medicine model she champions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Melissa Nothnagle is deeply committed to building a residency faculty and future family medicine workforce that reflects the diverse demographics of Monterey County, and her mentorship has had a lasting impact on the residents, colleagues, and communities they go on to serve; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Melissa Nothnagle carries out this work at Natividad, the only teaching hospital in Monterey County and an affiliate of the University of California, San Francisco, whose Family Medicine Residency Program prepares graduates to deliver high-quality, full-spectrum care to underserved communities, with approximately half of all graduates remaining on the Central Coast to serve Monterey County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on physicians and on all residents thereof, hereby honors and recognizes **Melissa Nothnagle, MD, MSc** for her national distinction in family medicine education, her full-

spectrum clinical excellence, and her steadfast mentorship of the next generation of physicians, and extends its warmest congratulations on her receipt of the *Nikitas J. Zervanos Outstanding Program Director of the Year Award* and its deepest gratitude for her compassionate service to the patients and communities of Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 11th day of **August** 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