

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN AND FOR THE
COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopt a resolution in recognition of **Bruce A. McPherson** for his lifetime of hard work and community dedication upon his well-earned retirement.

WHEREAS, Bruce McPherson has a long and distinguished record of serving the people of the State of California. A fourth-generation Santa Cruz County native, **Bruce McPherson's** career began as a reporter at his family's newspaper, the Sentinel, later rising to Editor; and

WHEREAS, Bruce McPherson served as a Santa Cruz County Supervisor, representing the Fifth District for three terms. Before he was elected Supervisor in 2012, he served two terms in the California State Assembly and two terms in the California State Senate; and

WHEREAS, during his years in the Legislature, Bruce McPherson served as Chair of the Senate Public Safety Committee, Vice-chair of the Senate Education and the Senate Environmental Protection Committees and Chair of the Assembly Elections Committee; and

WHEREAS, after the resignation of California's Secretary of State in early 2005, Bruce McPherson was nominated for this significant position by California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and confirmed unanimously by both the Senate and Assembly, subsequently serving as California's Secretary of State in 2005 and 2006; and

WHEREAS, Bruce McPherson was recognized as Legislator of the Year by numerous prestigious organizations and foundations. After 2006, **Bruce McPherson** was selected to serve in leading positions at many organizations, including California Forward, a statewide organization co-chaired by his friend and colleague Leon Panetta, to investigate the structural issues that contribute to the state's partisan stalemates, and to the Statewide Leadership Council of the Public Policy Institute of California; and

WHEREAS, Bruce McPherson was the driving force behind the formation of Central Coast Community Energy, one of the largest and most successful community choice energy agencies in California, serving more than 400,000 customer accounts in more than 34 jurisdictions from Santa Cruz to Santa Barbara Counties and he has served selflessly in a leadership capacity since its inception.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey on behalf of all residents thereof, commends and thanks **Bruce McPherson** for his many years of exemplary public service to the people of the State of California, and wishes him success, health and happiness in all his future endeavors. His patience, dignity, competence, grace and good humor make him an honored, valued and beloved member of the entire California community. You leave a lasting legacy of achievement and kindness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024, 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 _____, 2024.

Dated:

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

By _____
Deputy