

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

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopt a resolution in recognition of the remarkable life of **Mary (Kay) Kathryn Crist Campbell Higgens Crockett** who passed away at the age of ninety-four years.

**WHEREAS, Mary Kay** was born in Pueblo, Colorado in 1930; and

**WHEREAS, Mary Kay** was the first woman to graduate from the University of Arizona Business School with a degree in Finance and the first female hired to manage a major Arizona bank and a Pueblo oil company. In the mid-1970s, she made history as the first female stockbroker hired by Merrill Lynch, in Washington, D.C. When asked in her interview about her sales experience, she proudly replied, “Yes, I sold more Girl Scout cookies than anyone else in Pueblo, Colorado!”. Her Merrill Lynch tenure spanned from 1972 to 2003. Following her retirement, she became an industry arbitrator for the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority for ten more years; and

**WHEREAS, Mary Kay** arrived in Carmel in 1982. She and a handful of fellow pioneers became founding members of the Elite Women’s Group, which continues to thrive today with more than thirty accomplished members. She was also a long-time member of the International Women’s Group; and

**WHEREAS, Mary Kay** was a founding member of the Women’s Leadership Council’s Advisory Committee and played a key role in establishing the Pebble Beach Foundation, advocating for merit scholarships for the children of Pebble Beach employees. She served on the board of The York School Legacy Society for twenty-five years and was a significant advocate and donor. Her board memberships included the Carmel Bach Festival, Carmel Valley Manor, Carmel Public Library Foundation and the Monterey Museum of Art. She was a long-time member of the Casa Abrego Club and The Pebble Beach and Tennis Club. She was very recently honored with the Diamond Circle Award for her seventy-five years as a Tri Delta Sorority member. She was also a member of the CSUMB President’s Council and became the inaugural recipient of the CSUMB Woman of Distinction Award in 2017; and

**WHEREAS, Mary Kay** influenced countless individuals and had a remarkable talent for connecting people for the greater good. She respected her colleagues and deeply valued her friendships; however, her favorite role was that of mother and grandmother (affectionately known as “Momo”) to her grandchildren, Kate and Nathan Campbell.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey on behalf of all residents thereof, acknowledges and commends the memory of **Mary (Kay) Kathryn Crist Campbell Higgens Crockett** for her many years of exemplary public service to the people of Monterey County. Her wit, dignity, competence and intelligence made her an honored, valued and beloved member of the entire Monterey County community. **Mary Kay** will be missed by her loving family and many devoted friends. She is forever in our hearts.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ 2024, 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