

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

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt a resolution honoring the 2025 graduates of the Proudly Pajaro program, the Community Action Board, Casa de la Cultura, and the Pajaro Disaster Long Term Recovery Alliance.

**WHEREAS**, The Proudly Pajaro program was established by Community Action Board (CAB), its first training group of eighteen residents of Pajaro completed leadership training in June 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2023 the Pajaro River overran the Pajaro levee and flooded the historically underserved community of Pajaro, populated predominantly by laborers; and

**WHEREAS**, The resulting crisis triggered comprehensive efforts by Federal, State, and County entities, as well as a powerful assembly of local and national non-profit groups, including CAB and the Casa de la Cultura, to aid in the recovery from devastating losses and hardship; and

**WHEREAS**, The Alliance, based at Casa De La Cultura in Pajaro, was established in response to the immediate post-disaster needs of the resident and business communities, recognizing that long-term resiliency is essential in guaranteeing a stable, vibrant, autonomous future for Pajaro; and

**WHEREAS**, In partnership with The Alliance, and with a grant from the Community Foundation for Monterey County, CAB created the Proudly Pajaro initiative as a training program providing leadership development and capacity building to Pajaro Residents who were impacted by the floods; and

**WHEREAS**, Eighteen members of the Alliance's Resident group were chosen to train in leadership styles, government structures, advocacy, public speaking, equity and justice, climate change, and climate justice; and

**WHEREAS**, In completing this relevant, comprehensive process, the Proudly Pajaro "graduates" have identified priority issues for the Pajaro community including housing, community safety, community resources, and a co-created common vision for Pajaro.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors on behalf of all the County and its residents, thereof, hereby recognizes the graduates of Proudly Pajaro, the Pajaro Disaster Long Term Recovery Alliance, Casa de la Cultura and the Community Action Board for their effective grassroots work to establish a foundation for an informed, engaged community.

**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, 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