

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

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt a resolution honoring **El Grito de Independencia** and recognizing **El Grito Salinas**, organized by **Tradición Por Siempre**, in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

**WHEREAS, El Grito de Independencia** (The Cry of Independence), first declared on September 16, 1810, by Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla, marked the beginning of Mexico's fight for independence from Spanish rule, and has since become a historic symbol of freedom, resilience, and unity; and

**WHEREAS, El Grito** is honored each year by millions across Mexico and throughout the world, serving as a reminder of the enduring pursuit of justice, self-determination, and cultural pride; and

**WHEREAS, El Grito Salinas** has become one of the region's most vibrant celebrations of this tradition, drawing together families, students, and community members to honor cultural heritage, uplift voices, and celebrate the spirit of unity; and

**WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month** is observed each year from September 15 to October 15, recognizing the histories, cultures, and contributions of Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America; and

**WHEREAS, the observance of Hispanic Heritage Month** begins on September 15, the anniversary of independence for the Latin American countries of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, followed by the independence days of Mexico on September 16 and Chile on September 18; and

**WHEREAS, El Grito Salinas** serves as a cornerstone of community pride, highlighting Hispanic and Latino contributions to the Salinas Valley and Monterey County through music, dance, food, and civic engagement; and

**WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month** provides an opportunity for all residents to celebrate diversity, foster greater understanding, and recommit to equity and inclusion as core values of our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors on behalf of all the County and its residents, thereof, hereby honors **El Grito Salinas** during **Hispanic Heritage Month** and extends its deep appreciation to the Hispanic and Latino communities for their enduring contributions to the strength, prosperity, and cultural richness of the County of Monterey and the broader United States of America.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors commends **Tradición Por Siempre**, its volunteers, partners, and sponsors for their leadership and service in organizing **El Grito Salinas**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors encourages all residents to participate in celebrations, educational activities, and cultural events throughout **Hispanic Heritage Month** as a way of honoring this vital part of our shared heritage.

**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