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

Resolution No.:

Adopt Resolution Recognizing October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, October 1987 was the first time that **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** was recognized nationally in order to inform and bring to light the issues surrounding domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behavior that can be physical, sexual, mental, emotional, or economic, that is used to gain or maintain power and control over an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, Domestic violence can happen to anyone, regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, race, socioeconomic status, or religion; affecting families, communities, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The prevalence of domestic violence continues to rise as nearly 10 million incidents of domestic violence occur each year; and

WHEREAS, The importance of prevention through education from local and national agencies and the empowering of a community to develop and maintain healthy relationships remains of utmost significance; and

WHEREAS, The Domestic Violence Coordinating Council of Monterey County will be presenting a conference on Domestic Violence, titled, "Approaching Domestic Violence Intersections" on October 20, 2023; thus, educating and creating awareness in our county by reaching out to community-based agencies, government agencies, and community members.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby recognize the month of October 2023 as **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**, in the County of Monterey, and call upon its residents to participate by building healthy relationships and eliminating intimate partner violence.

| PASSED AND ADOPTED this | day of | , 2023, by the following vote, |
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| to wit: | | |
| AYES: | | |
| NOES: | | |
| ABSENT: | | |
| I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of | _ | 5 |
| California, hereby certify that the fore | | <u> </u> |
| Supervisors duly made and entered in | the minutes thereof | of Minute Book for the meeting |
| on, 2023. | | |
| Dated | | |

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