

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution to honor the **50th Anniversary of The Marine Mammal Center**, and the **Opening of its new Monterey Bay Operations location** in Castroville, California.

WHEREAS, The Marine Mammal Center leads the field of ocean health through marine mammal rescue, conservation medicine, science, and education; and,

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1975, The Marine Mammal Center has rescued more than 26,000 marine mammals along 600 miles of California coastline and throughout the Hawaiian archipelago; and,

WHEREAS, The Marine Mammal Center has a volunteer force of 1,400 and an engaged public which enables the Center to respond to marine mammals in distress as a result of diseases, entanglements, and boat strikes; and,

WHEREAS, establishing The Marine Mammal Center's Monterey Bay Operations in Castroville lends a new dimension of efficacy to marine mammal rescue along the California coast, as 40% of rescues in the region occur in the Monterey Bay; and,

WHEREAS, the veterinary experts of The Marine Mammal Center continually pursue new clinical techniques to improve marine mammal rehabilitation, investigate causes of marine mammal stranding, and how these factors connect to our ecosystem and human health; and,

WHEREAS, the training and education programs of The Marine Mammal Center have reached thousands of children and adults in support of the next generation of scientists and citizens who can help to ensure the health of our oceans and environment.

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 Marine Mammal Center** for its 50 years taking action to support a network of scientists and stewards to protect our shared ocean environment for generations to come, and the **Opening of its new Monterey Bay Operations location** in Castroville, California.

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