Resolution No.: 25-

Adopt a resolution commending *Ezequiel Vega Rios, Assistant County Administrative Officer,* on his over 20 years of dedicated public service, including 14 years with the County of Monterey.

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* earned a Master of Business Administration from the New York Institute of Technology and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from California State University, East Bay; and,

WHEREAS, in 2005, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* began his tenure with the County of Monterey as Management Analyst II with the Health Department and quickly advanced through the ranks serving as Finance Manager I and Finance Manager II in 2005, and Assistant Director of Behavioral Health in 2008; and,

WHEREAS, in 2011, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* continued to grow professionally, serving as Finance Director for the City of Soledad and Administrative Services Director for the City of Watsonville in 2012; and,

WHEREAS, in 2017, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* returned to the County of Monterey as Assistant Director of Health Services, later promoted to County Budget Director in 2020 and Assistant County Administrative Officer in 2023; and,

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* is an administrative leader with over two decades of expertise in managing local government operations and budgets; and,

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* successfully managed the overall County of Monterey budget process with integrity and steadfast dedication, directing the preparation and monitoring of the \$1.9 billion County budget, including review, analysis, and evaluation of budgetary and programmatic requests and proposed organizational changes; and,

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* has been instrumental in working collaboratively with elected officials, department directors, local jurisdictions, state representatives, and partner agencies while managing the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Capital Improvement standing committees; and,

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* assisted in further streamlining the County fiscal reporting cycle connecting end-of-year results, current budgets, and forecasts, ensuring transparency and a solid foundation from which elected representatives can make strategic decisions; and,

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* played a critical role in the creation and passage of local sales tax "Measure AA" to provide funding for vital county services in unincorporated areas of the County, with a focus on road repair and infrastructure, water and sewer infrastructure, parks projects, essential and mandated services, and public safety; and,

WHEREAS, Ezequiel Vega Rios has exhibited an exemplary work ethic; and,

WHEREAS, *Ezequiel Vega Rios* is married to Fen Vega; they have two sons, Marco-Antonio and Armando, a daughter, Mavey, and fur babies Jojo and Bao Bey – a family whose ongoing support has played a critical role in his successes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County workforce and residents thereof, hereby acknowledge, commend, and express its sincere appreciation to *Assistant County Administrative Officer Ezequiel Vega* for many years of dedicated public service to the County of Monterey, and wish him success on all future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this __ day of ___ 2024, upon motion of 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