

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution honoring **Jill Allen** as a **2025 Veteran of the Year** from County of Monterey Supervisorial District 2.

WHEREAS, Jill Allen served in the U.S. Air Force for 14 years, and in the California Air National Guard for 6 years; and

WHEREAS, while posted at Travis AFB in California, Jill Allen became involved in the Sunshine Breakfast Club, staffed with Air Force volunteers and funded by contributions, to provide inexpensive snacks and breakfasts to staff of a new office building near the flight line; and

WHEREAS, when the Loma Prieta earthquake occurred in 1989, Jill Allen and the Sunshine Breakfast Club responded to reports of especially dire effects in Watsonville, California by conferring with the Salvation Army, gathering essential supplies, particularly for babies, renting a van and setting off from Travis to Watsonville. Subsequently, they made two more trips in larger vehicles and with more supplies; and

WHEREAS, this work with the community of Watsonville earned Jill Allen the USAF Humanitarian Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Jill Allen eventually relocated to the County of Monterey and joined the Salinas Downtown Community Board where she supported the organization's mission to invigorate the community's cultural history and diversity and to offer housing, economic opportunities and community services; and

WHEREAS, Jill Allen has served in various capacities for the Monterey & San Benito Counties Coalition of Homeless Services Providers to promote regional partnerships and interagency collaboration to build a comprehensive system of housing for our diverse population; and

WHEREAS, Jill Allen serves as the president of Wheel of Hope, a Salinas nonprofit holding company that she has successfully restored to financial health; and

WHEREAS, Jill Allen serves on the Lead Me Home Leadership Council which serves as the Continuum of Care Board for Monterey and San Benito Counties.

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 Jill Allen for her dedicated military service in the United States Air Force and the California Air National Guard, and her lifelong commitment to finding lasting solutions for homelessness and its effects in Monterey and San Benito Counties.

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