CITY OF SAND CITY RESOLUTION SC 20-04, 2020

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAND CITY HONORING GREGORY HAWTHORNE AS THE 2020 CHAMPION OF THE ARTS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, the Arts Council for Monterey County presents awards to exemplary individuals who have achieved excellence in their fields, and have made significant contributions to further the Arts Council mission; and

WHEREAS, the Champion of the Arts Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to Gregory Hawthorne, entrepreneur, painter, sculptor and businessman, and resident of Big Sur for 39 years; and

WHEREAS, a native of Detroit, Gregory Hawthorne was raised by a father who had a passion for all things artistic and passed the love of art to his son, who, by his early teenage years had spent a considerable amount of time in artist studios in the Midwest and Greenwich Village, New York; and

WHEREAS, a gifted art student who graduated from Wayne State University in Detroit, Gregory Hawthorne returned to California to pursue his dream to purchase the property across the street from Nepenthe to build his studio and to create the dynamic Hawthorne Gallery that features his work and encompasses a variety of mediums from paintings and full color human figures to outdoor sculptures to functional 'art' furniture; and

WHEREAS, a good businessman who has worked hard to achieve his material and creative goals, Gregory Hawthorne's art work and pieces are displayed in over 5,000 private and corporate collections worldwide, and it is his hope to continually raise awareness of the arts through his Gallery as well as to provide lovers of the arts with beautiful, superior works to enjoy in their homes; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with familial tradition, Gregory Hawthorne's love and passion for the arts is shared by his wife Susan and his children, Shelby and Taylor and beloved grandsons Angus and Crosby.

WHEREAS, in celebration of those local artists and Champions for the Arts, the 2020 Champion of the Arts event will raise proceeds to benefit thousands of students each year through comprehensive artists-in-training programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sand City along with the Arts Council of Monterey County honoring Gregory Hawthorne for his contribution to the community and as an avid supporter of the arts within the Monterey Peninsula.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Sand City on this 21st, day of January 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

Council Members Blackwelder, Carbone, Cruz, Hawthorne, Sofer

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ATTEST:

Mary Ann Carbone, Mayor

Linda K. Scholink, City Clerk