

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03

**Resolution honoring Baker’s Bacon upon its selection as the recipient of the
2025 Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce
Business of the Year Award.**

WHEREAS, Baker’s Bacon is a small-batch, artisanal bacon producer that makes “Bacon the Way It’s Supposed To Be,” for professional chefs, emerging restaurateurs, or cooking at home.

WHEREAS, In 2011, after a long and successful career both in England and California, Chef Tony Baker began his mission to recreate the high-quality bacon he was accustomed to while growing up in the countryside of England by using a time-honored curing and double-smoking technique.

WHEREAS, Chef Tony Baker came up with Baker’s Bacon in a market saturated with mass-produced, watery bacon as he wanted bacon for his restaurant that met his top-quality expectations while being cost-effective.

WHEREAS, Baker’s Bacon began with a partnership between long-time smoke master and bacon expert Steve Sacks at Prime Smoked Meats in Oakland, California. Baker and Sacks worked together for over a year experimenting with cures until they settled on the recipe that is still in use today.

WHEREAS, Baker’s Bacon provides products that are antibiotic-free, chef-quality, responsibly sourced, perfectly balanced in salt, sugar, and smoke, and made from humanely raised, heritage breed, and vegetarian fed pork.

WHEREAS, Baker’s Bacon began making bacon for the three restaurants in Coastal Roots Hospitality (Montrio, Tarp’s, and Rio Grill) and then expanded into wholesale distribution, selling his bacon to other chefs around the country.

WHEREAS, Chef Tony Baker holds multiple awards to his name, including the United Fresh Produce Excellence in Foodservice award in fine dining, the American Culinary Federation’s 2018 “Chef of the Year,” and Edible Magazine’s “Chef of the Year,” and he has also been invited as a guest chef for several events including Obsession at Northcote Manor and the prestigious Pebble Beach Food & Wine.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Del Rey Oaks, on behalf of all the City and its citizens thereof, hereby congratulates **Baker’s Bacon** upon its selection as the recipient of the **2025 Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Award**.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of March 2026, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____

Scott Donaldson, Mayor

Karen Minami, City Clerk