

PROCLAMATION STORMWATER AWARENESS WEEK September 25 – September 29, 2023

WHEREAS, the water quality of our local water resources are of vital importance to sustainable communities and to the health, safety, and well-being of the people of this community; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, Staff, civic leaders, business interests, and children in our community to gain knowledge of and maintain a progressive interest and understanding of stormwater and the protection of our water resources; and,

WHEREAS, our Municipal Staff often serve on the front lines of water quality protection; and,

WHEREAS, stormwater is increasingly considered a resource for our community, where every drop counts as demonstrated by its contributions as a source water for Monterey One Water's Pure Water Monterey project; and,

WHEREAS, since 2002, the City of Del Rey Oaks has participated in the Monterey Regional Stormwater Management Program (MRSWMP), a regional collaboration intended to implement local Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Phase II Stormwater Permit Requirements under the Clean Water Act in a consistent and cost-effective manner; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Del Rey Oaks will participate in the annual Stormwater Awareness Week training activities, a statewide effort to train Municipal Staff, specifically Building Department Staff, on stormwater and water quality issues;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby proclaim the week of September 25 – September 29, 2023, as Stormwater Awareness Week, and urges all residents to recognize the importance of water quality and its impacts on our community health, safety, welfare, and quality of life.

Signed this 26th day of September, 2023

Scott Donaldson, Mayor