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Board Agenda Letter

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TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: David Morrison - Interim County Executive Officer
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SUBJECT: Presentation of Retirement Proclamation to Dr. Karen Relucio

RECOMMENDATION

Presentation of a Retirement Proclamation to Karen Relucio, MD, Deputy Director of Health and Human Services Agency - Public Health & Public Health Officer, in recognition of 16 years of public service, seven of which were dedicated to the residents of Napa County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Dr. Relucio was appointed by the Napa County Board of Supervisors to serve as the Deputy Director of Health and Human Services Agency-Public Health and Public Health Officer in 2015. After serving Napa County for seven years, Dr. Relucio will retire from public service on December 30, 2022.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Effective and Open Government

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Among countless other challenges faced during Dr. Relucio's tenure, Napa County experienced two wildfires and a historic and unprecedented worldwide COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. In her critical role, she steadfastly

guided the County's emergency response, helping to save lives and mitigate negative impacts to residents and all who visit our beautiful region. Dr. Relucio kept health equity at the forefront of the Public Health Division and HHSA through collaborative efforts to improve policies, systems, and environments in ways that promote "health for all" in Napa County, and this included the Public Health Division's receipt of an "Advancing Health Equity" award from the Committee for California's Health.

As Napa County Public Health Officer, Dr. Relucio contributed positively to the profession of Public Health through her service and leadership over the years including serving on the Board of Directors of the Health Officers Association of California, the California Conference of Local Health Officers, the Association of Bay Area Health Officials, the California Emergency Medical Services Commission, the Napa Opioid Safety Coalition, Live Healthy Napa County (LHNC), and the Honoring Choices Napa Valley Executive Committee.