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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Amending the Bylaws of the Napa County Mental

Health Board

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) requests adoption of a Resolution amending the Napa County Bylaws Manual Part II, Section 8 Mental Health Board, effective January 9, 2023, to reflect changes to Article V-Qualifications of Members and Article XV-Policies and Procedures.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of today's action adopts a resolution amending the Napa County Bylaws Manual Part II, Section 8 Mental Health Board, due to new legislation mandating that a minimum of one member of the Mental Health Board (MHB) be a veteran or veteran advocate. The MHB met in regular session on January 9, 2023 and approved an updated version of their Bylaws.

Section 8 of the Napa Policy Manual relating to the establishment of County boards, commissions and committees requires that rules and regulations for the conduct of business of the various commissions must be adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

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

The MHB is appointed by the Board of Supervisors to advise them on mental health issues within the County. The MHB provides education and advocacy on mental health issues to the State, within the community, and acts as an oversight board for the mental health programs of HHSA.

On January 9, 2023, the MHB approved the changes to its Bylaws. Adoption of the resolution will provide BOS approval of these changes, in accordance with Section 8 of the County of Napa Policy Manual. The changes to the Bylaws include:

Page 3, ARTICLE V - QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS, item 1 - Amend to read "Qualification of Members. The members of the Mental Health Board shall be composed of the following:

- a. One member of the Napa County Board of Supervisors.
- b. At least one veteran or veteran advocate.
- c. At least fifty percent of the Board membership shall be consumers, who are receiving or have received mental health services, or their family members as defined in exhibit A.
- d. At least twenty percent of the Board membership shall be consumers.
- e. At least twenty percent of the Board shall be family members of consumers.
- f. Any members who are not consumers or family members of consumers shall be individuals who are interested and concerned citizens from the general public.

The composition of the Mental Health Board should reflect the ethnic diversity of the consumer population and the demographics of the county as a whole to the extent feasible."

Page 9-10, ARTICLE XV - POLICIES AND PROCEDURES - Amend to update the Chair of the MHB and incorporate Veteran or Veteran Advocate to the Percentage Tables accordingly.