

To: Napa County Board of Supervisors

From: Chris DeNatale, President & CEO Arts Council Napa Valley

RE: Aisha Rivera Poet Laureate Second Term

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Thank you for your consideration of Aisha Rivera for a second term as Napa County Poet Laureate. During their time in the position they have brought new direction and a huge passion for the work and has brought a new generation and segment of the county that did not identify with our arts establishment in the past. From their regular open mic nights to their pop ups at County Libraries to their work at major event such as the fair they offer unique entry points for our residents to explore the written word. It is my belief that an additional two year term will afford them the opportunity to grow this impact and leave a robust position for a new Poet Laureate to take over in another two years.

Many Thanks,

Christopher J. DeNatale President & CEO

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