ADDUSTRY RECREATED

COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION DRIVE, ROOM 102A SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 4/15/2025

To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator's Office **Staff Name and Phone Number:** Jennie Brown 707-565-3275

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Recommended Action:

Approve the Reappointments of Sharen Lee Spencer Snyde, Tony Pires, and Bob Meade to the Green Valley Cemetery District Board of Trustees, each to serve four year terms beginning January 6, 2025, and ending December 31, 2028. (Countywide)

Executive Summary:

The Board of Supervisors are responsible for appointments to over 75 Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces. Vacancies and upcoming expiring appointments are posted on the County's list of Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces website.

Rule 50 of the Board Rules of Procedures states that the Clerk of the Board shall convene staff to review prospective countywide appointments and make appointment recommendations to the Board. The current item recommends the reappointment of Sharen Lee Spencer Snyde, Tony Pires, and Bob Meade to the Green Valley Cemetery District Board of Trustees.

Discussion:

The Green Valley Cemetery District was created to assume responsibility for the management and care of cemeteries within its boundaries per Health and Safety Code 9001 (2). Located in rural Graton, the Green Valley Cemetery District "district" encompasses two historical cemeteries; the Gilliam Cemetery founded in 1852 and the Green Valley Cemetery founded in 1862. The district is governed by a Board of Trustees composed of 3-5 members responsible for the management and administrative record keeping for these cemeteries to include site burial and plot sales records, ongoing grounds care and improvements, and the preparation and submittal of annual reports. In April of 2023, the third district trustee resigned from the board resulting in the loss of quorum as membership fell below the majority required. This item recommends the appointment of Sharen Lee Spencer Snyder to serve the remainder of the unscheduled vacancy term and meeting the requirement for quorum by increasing trustee membership to three.

Sharen Lee Spencer Snyder is a long-term resident of Graton and frequent visitor of the Gilliam Cemetery, located within the Green Valley Cemetery District. Sharen visits Gilliam Cemetery weekly to care for the burial site and community garden planted for and named after her late son, Aden Spencer Joseph. Sharen has served the Green Valley Cemetery District Board since her initial appointment in July of 2024.

Tony Pires has served as a member of the Green Valley Cemetery District Board of Trustees for over twenty years. Tony is a retired Agilent engineer with a passion for history and desire to care for and preserve

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historical sites like the Green Valley Cemetery.	
Bob Meade has been a reliable and dedicated member of the Green Valley Cemetery District Board of Trusince being appointed in March of 2014.	stees
Strategic Plan: N/A	
Prior Board Actions: N/A	
FISCAL SUMMARY Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts: N/A	
Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required): N/A	
Attachments: N/A	
Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board: Recommended Appointment Application Sharon Lee Spencer Snyde	