



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

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Date: July 20, 2021

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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4/5 Vote Required

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,  
Honoring Ron Karp For 25 Years Of Service To The Community as Executive Director of Food  
For Thought.**

**Whereas**, Ron has been the Executive Director of Food Thought, since 1996, starting amidst the HIV/AIDS epidemic; and

**Whereas**, Ron has been an advocate for Food For Thought's expansion to serve people with other serious illnesses in addition to HIV, including congestive heart failure, those recently discharged from the hospital at risk of malnutrition and those with a positive COVID-19 diagnosis; and

**Whereas**, Ron has been passionate about reducing food insecurity and improving health outcomes through proper nutrition for Sonoma County residents living with serious illnesses; and

**Whereas**, Ron is a founding member of the California Food Is Medicine Coalition and has served on the boards of the Association of Nutrition Service Agencies and the Sonoma County Commission on AIDS; and

**Whereas** Ron's thoughtful and innovative leadership has allowed Food For Thought to expand and evolve providing our most vulnerable neighbors with access to nutritious food to support their immune systems; and

**Whereas**, Ron recognized the unprecedented need to provide to healthy, lifesaving food to Sonoma County residents during the COVID-19 global pandemic; and

**Whereas**, Ron has made a difference in the lives of thousands of serious ill people living in Sonoma County.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, hereby expresses the highest gratitude for Ron Karp's excellent public service provided to the Fifth District and to community members countywide.

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**Supervisors:**

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**