



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: February 25, 2020

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
acknowledging and celebrating the 10-year anniversary of the Upstream Investments
Initiative.**

Whereas, the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors chartered the Upstream Investments Initiative in 2009 with the goal of understanding the antecedents of criminal behavior and reducing downstream criminal justice costs; and

Whereas, Upstream Investments seeks to reduce social problems before they start and address inequities and other social determinants of health by shifting policies, funding, and programming toward investments in evidence-informed, prevention strategies; and

Whereas, Upstream Investments provides support to community organizations and government agencies to strengthen the quality of programs and services with the goal of preventing community problems through increasing educational accomplishment, positive physical and mental health, and economic wellness for all residents; and

Whereas, Upstream Investments has successfully supported effective prevention strategies by creating the Portfolio of Model Upstream Programs; a local list of over 100 programs that have met rigorous inclusion criteria and committed to evidence and outcomes-based management; and

Whereas, Sonoma County has significantly increased its investments in prevention and evidence-informed programs over the past 10 years; and

Whereas, Upstream Investments has resulted in wide-spread community commitment to prevention-focused interventions that increase equity and reduce monetary and societal costs for all residents, which is a real shift in the collective framework for addressing social problems.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors do hereby acknowledge and celebrate the 10 years that the Upstream Investments Initiative has been in existence and continue to support its efforts to prioritize investing in evidence-informed, prevention-focused programs to reduce social problems before they start by increasing educational accomplishment, positive physical and mental health, and economic wellness for all residents of Sonoma County.

Supervisors:

Rabbitt:

Zane:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Gorin:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.