



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: March 10, 2020

Item Number: _____
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Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, Appointing Dr. Sundari Mase to the Position of Interim Health Officer Effective March 10, 2020

Whereas, the California Health and Safety Code Section 101000 requires that the Board of Supervisors appoint a Health Officer for the County;

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors appoints the County Health Officer who reports to the Board through the Director of Health Services;

Whereas, Dr. Celeste Philip, who was appointed County Health Officer on April 9, 2019, has notified the County of her resignation, effective March 16, 2020, and the position of Deputy Health Officer has been vacant since mid-January;

Whereas, Dr. Sundari Mase, has agreed to serve as the County's Interim Health Officer through a consultant agreement;

Whereas, Dr. Mase is a highly qualified medical professional with local, national, and international experience in preventative and clinical tuberculosis control, policy development, and program implementation;

Whereas, Dr. Mase will assume responsibility for overseeing the Public Health Division and preparing the County's response to COVID-19, including acting as the County's spokesperson on matters related to the COVID-19 outbreak and working with various government organizations, local hospitals, clinics, and other health care organizations; and

Whereas, Dr. Mase will provide direction and collaborate on implementation of the Department of Health Services Strategic plan, will work to develop and implement health policies that improve community health in Sonoma County, and will ensure that Board of Supervisors' priorities are met. She will work with community partners on local initiatives including, but not limited to, the local food system, water and environmental quality, dental health for children and adults, and the health care delivery system integration supporting the "Triple Aim" of improved care, decreased cost, and increased access.

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Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California hereby appoints Sundari Mase, MD to the position of Interim Health Officer for the County of Sonoma effective March 10, 2020.

Supervisors:

Rabbitt:	Zane:	Gore:	Hopkins:	Gorin:
Ayes:	Noes:	Absent:	Abstain:	

So Ordered.