



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: March 10, 2020

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☐ 4/5 Vote Required

### **Resolution of the Board Of Supervisors of the County Of Sonoma, State of California, Congratulating Simon and Kimberly Blattner on the Honor of being selected as the 2020 Sonoma Alcalde and Alcaldessa**

**WHEREAS**, the Sonoma Alcalde and Alcaldessa is the City of Sonoma's highest honor for public service and is awarded annually to recognize local citizens who have made unselfish contributions to the welfare of Sonoma; and

**WHEREAS**, a tradition of the Pueblo system, the Alcalde and Alcaldessa was revived locally in 1975 when the Sonoma City Council decided to once again find "the town's most useful citizen"; and

**WHEREAS**, nominations for Alcalde & Alcaldessa are based on demonstrating a broad spectrum of voluntary community service to Sonoma Valley, service in a leadership role in at least one non-profit organization, and a history of "consistent behind-the-scenes good deed"; and,

**WHEREAS**, Simon and Kimberly Blattner have been recognized with this distinction due to their passionate leadership and tireless efforts across an extensive range of issues for the benefit of the Sonoma Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, Simon and Kimberly would individually qualify as the 2020 Alcalde, together they are a unique team that has contributed time and energy year over year to enhance the quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blattners were saluted for their leadership, vision, and hard work on behalf of La Luz Center, Sonoma Valley Fund, Sonoma Valley Museum of Art, Sonoma Valley Hospital Foundation, and Sonoma Land Trust; and

**WHEREAS**, Kimberly has been a resident of Sonoma since 1982, was raised in Oregon and came to California where she was the chair of the English Department at Sonoma Valley High School from 1988-90, and served on the boards of League of Women Voters of Sonoma County, Enterprise for High School Students and La Luz Center where she served as Board Chair for two years and currently serves on the city's Community Services and Environment Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, Simon chairs the board of Sonoma Valley Fund, and also sits on the boards of Sonoma Land Trust and the Sonoma Valley Hospital Foundation, and is a Trustee of the California College of The Arts, and the Founder and Chair of La Luz Center's Microloan Fund and has also served for over a decade on the board of Sonoma Valley Museum of Art where he was board president; and

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma congratulates Simon and Kimberly Blattner on the honor of being named the 2020 Sonoma Alcalde and Alcaldessa.

**Supervisors:**

Rabbitt:      Zane:      Gore:      Hopkins:      Gorin:

Ayes:      Noes:      Absent:      Abstain:

**So Ordered.**