

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION TO UPDATE THE BYLAWS SPECIFYING THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND STANDING RULES FOR ITS GOVERNANCE

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors has previously created the Commission on Disabilities, whose purpose is to ensure full community participation of people with disabilities, and;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Disabilities is authorized by Resolutions No. 55400, adopted September 10, 1991; and Resolution No. 64153, adopted December 19, 2000; and Resolution No. 65334, adopted June 18, 2002; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to further clarify the functioning of the Commission on Disabilities and to set forth the standing rules for its governance:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED as follows:

1. This Board hereby re-affirms that the purpose of the Commission on Disabilities is to ensure full community participation of people with disabilities.
2. The members of the Commission on Disabilities shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors, subject to the membership criteria specified herein.
3. Members appointed by the Board of Supervisors shall serve terms of

three years, which shall begin on July 1 and end on June 30. Upon the conclusion of a term, a member may be reappointed subject to a maximum of four (4) full 3-year terms (i.e. twelve consecutive years of service). The twelve-year limit does not include partial terms to which members may be appointed at the beginning of their service, or serving beyond their term limit at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors until a new member is appointed to the seat.

4. The members of the Commission on Disabilities shall have an abiding commitment to, and interest in, people with disabilities. There shall be fifteen (15) voting members, who shall be residents of the County of San Mateo and who shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

5. The voting members shall represent utilizers and providers of service as follows:

- A. Developmental Disabilities Community;
- B. Physically Disabled Community;
- C. Mental Health Community;
- D. Sensory Impaired Community;
- E. Other Disabilities and
- F. The Community At-Large.

6. The following criteria shall be used in appointing voting members:

- A. A majority of the members should be primary or secondary member of the disability community;
- B. Members should be connected to the larger community and

have knowledge of what the community feels, needs and wants;

C. Consideration should be given to the applicant's community contacts, which are relevant to fulfillment of the mission of the Commission;

D. Inclusive range of ages, gender identities and ethnic groups; and

E. Evidence of a strong commitment to public service as well as sufficient time and resources to carry out necessary responsibilities.

7. In addition, the Board of Supervisors may appoint non-voting members as appropriate, who may include persons or representatives of organizations that provide services to persons with disabilities or any person having experience that may be helpful to the Commission.

8. The Commission on Disabilities will comply with all standing rules for county boards, commissions and advisory committees that are established by the Board of Supervisors.

9. The Commission on Disabilities shall be staffed by the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health Services.

10. The Board hereby approves the attached Bylaws for the Commission on Disabilities.

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