## **RESOLUTION NO..**

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

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SAN MATEO COUNTY PARKS' FIVE-YEAR (2013-2018) STRATEGIC PLAN TO ADD GOAL 5: HEALTHY COMMUNITY WITH ASSOCIATED STRATEGIES

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

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Parks' Five-Year (2013-2018) Strategic Plan (Plan) was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 23, 2013 and in 2014, County Parks provided a report to the Board on the implementation of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Commission at their November 6, 2014 FY2015-17 Budget Priority Setting Workshop recommended that the Department's Plan include goals and strategies that position County Parks as a community resource for health-focused programs and settings; and

WHEREAS, a proposed amendment of the Plan was provided to the Parks and Recreation Commission at their December 4, 2014 regular meeting, and Health System Chief Fraser spoke and expressed her agency's support of the addition of the Healthy Community goal to the Parks' Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Commission unanimously voted to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to amend the Parks' Five-Year Strategic Plan to add Healthy Community Goal 5: Provide additional opportunities for the public through acquisition and

development of additional park lands and trails when funding is available for both acquisition and ongoing operation to include the following strategies to support achieving the goal; and

## **WHEREAS**, those strategies are:

- Seek opportunities to provide parks and trails within and near neighborhoods to promote fitness and wellbeing.
- Enhance communications to reference benefits of parks in connection to health and wellbeing.
- Explore feasibility of expanding the Take A Hike program.
- Partner with health and community partners to establish a connection with public lands to promote health and wellbeing. (Under Community Engagement revise Strategy 22.3 to include community partners.)
- Partner with health and the community to identify barriers that inhibit high health need populations from using parks as a resource for improving wellbeing.
- Increase publicity about what parks has available in support and promotion of health; and

WHEREAS, both the Chief of the County's Health System and the Director of County Parks support a partnership in delivering programs and places that promote health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, the Plan upon adoption of this Resolution would be revised to add

the fifth goal of Healthy Community and communicated via the Parks website and press release.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes an amendment to the San Mateo County Parks' Five-Year (2013-2018) Strategic Plan to add Goal 5: Healthy Community with associated strategies.

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