

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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

**RESOLUTION 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 Nos. 55400, adopted on September 10, 1991, and Resolution No. 65143, adopted on December 19, 2000, and 61601, 61664 and 64958, 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 confirms the creation of the Commission on Disabilities, whose purpose 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 of the year of appointment and end on June 30. Upon the conclusion of a term, a member may be reappointed subject to a maximum of twelve years of full terms. The twelve

year limit does not include partial terms to which members may be appointed at the beginning of their service, or holdover service caused by delay in appointing a replacement at the end of a member's service.

4. The members of the Commission on Disabilities shall have an abiding commitment to, and interest in, people with disabilities. There shall be twenty-one (21) 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 consumers and providers of service to:

- A. Developmental Disabilities Communities,
- 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 consumers.
- 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. Broad range of ages, genders and ethnic groups.
- 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 Adult Services Division of the Department of Health Services.
