## **RESOLUTION NO. 20-013**

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ENDORSING MEASURE C - MENDOCINO COAST HEALTH CARE DISTRICT'S LEASE TO STONE POINT HEALTH, AN AFFILIATE OF ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM/WEST

WHEREAS, it is essential that the residents of the Mendocino Coast have ready access to a fully-staffed, quality hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino Coast is geographically remote and isolated from hospitals in Willits and Ukiah; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino Coast District Hospital has operated since 1971 and provides services that include: Rural Health Clinic; Home Health Hospice; Oncology; Emergency and Ambulance Services; Diagnostic Imaging; Laboratory Services; Outpatient and Inpatient Surgeries; Inpatient Services; Critical Care Services; and Home Health Rehabilitation Services; and

WHEREAS, a local Critical Access Hospital is absolutely necessary for the social and economic welfare of those living in and visiting the Mendocino Coast; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino Coast District Hospital is suffering from serious financial difficulties and will likely close if Measure C is not successful; and

WHEREAS, Mendocino Coast District Hospital expends approximately \$55.8 million in operating costs, including nearly \$26.9 million in salaries and benefits for approximately 350 employees, and these funds contribute to the financial well-being of the Mendocino Coast; and

WHEREAS, a local hospital is a vital contributor to the local economy and without its financial contribution to the community the local economy will suffer and cause further hardships; and

WHEREAS, Adventist Health System/West through Stone Point Health a California nonprofit public benefit corporation will pay fair market value to lease and operate the hospital, clinics, and healthcare facilities, including ambulance services for up to thirty years; and

WHEREAS, the lease payments to be made by Adventist Health ensure that MCDH will have sufficient funds in the future to either comply with the California's seismic requirements necessary to keep the hospital open or to construct new health facilities; and

WHEREAS, such affiliation will increase the resources to recruit and retain high quality medical staff and provide much needed capital to upgrade equipment and facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors does hereby endorse and support the Mendocino Coast Health Care District Measure C to approve an up to thirty (30) year lease at fair market value with Stone Point Health, an affiliate of Adventist Health System/West.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Gjerde, and carried this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Haschak, Gjerde and Williams

NOES: ABSENT: None None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST:

CARMEL J. ANGELO

Clerk of the Board

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM: CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS Acting County Counsel JOHN HASCHAK, Chair

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

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CARMEL J. ANGELO Clerk of the Board

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