

# COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA

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For the Agenda of: February 26, 2019

To:

**Board of Supervisors** 

Through:

Navdeep S. Gill, County Executive

From:

Peter Beilenson, Director, Health Services

Subject:

Authorization To Retroactively Appoint Ms. Melissa Jacobs,

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, As Acting Mental Health

Director

District(s):

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## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approve the attached Resolution retroactively authorizing the Director of Health Services to appoint Ms. Melissa Jacobs, Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), as the acting Mental Health Director of Sacramento County for up to 12 months, effective January 7, 2019.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The position of Deputy Director of Behavioral Health Services (BHS) has been vacant since January 6, 2019. A nationwide recruitment effort is currently underway. In the interim, Dr. Peter Beilenson appointed Ms. Melissa Jacobs, LCSW, as Acting Deputy Director of BHS, which includes Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Services.

The Deputy Director of BHS acts as the County's Mental Health Director. Per California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Section 620.1, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) must approve the appointment of a county's acting Mental Health Director. The approval is good for up to a 12-month term. Dr. Beilenson is recommending that Ms. Melissa Jacobs, LCSW, be retroactively appointed the acting Mental Health Director for up to 12 months, effective January 7, 2019. DHCS is currently reviewing Ms. Jacobs' current resume and clinical licensure and requires the approval of the attached Resolution to consider and approve Ms. Jacobs as the acting Mental Health Director for Sacramento County.

In June 1994, Ms. Jacobs earned her Master of Arts in Social Work from California State University, Sacramento, and became a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in 1998. Ms. Jacobs has nineteen years of supervisory and administrative experience and eleven years of experience providing direct

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mental health and case management services to culturally and diverse communities. Ms. Jacobs is currently a Division Manager for Behavioral Health Service with a focus on child and family mental health programs.

# **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The annual out-of-class compensation cost for Ms. Jacobs is \$6,786. Sufficient appropriations are included in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Adopted Budget for the Department of Health Services to cover this cost.

Attachment(s): RES - Resolution

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-0114**

AUTHORIZATION TO RETROACTIVELY APPOINT MS. MELISSA JACOBS, LCSW, AS ACTING MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of Health Services, on behalf of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, a political subdivision of the State of California, be and is hereby authorized to retroactively appoint Ms. Melissa Jacobs, LCSW, as the acting Mental Health Director for the County of Sacramento for up to 12 months, effective January 7, 2019.

On a motion by Supervisor Peters, seconded by Supervisor Nottoli, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento this 26th day of February, 2019, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

Supervisors Frost, Nottoli, Peters, Serna, Kennedy

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

RECUSAL: None

(PER POLITICAL REFORM ACT (§ 18702.5.))

Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County, California

> In accordance with Section 25103 of the Government Code of the State of California a copy of the document has been delivered to the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, County

Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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