



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: April 14, 2020

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Appointing Standby Officers for the Board Members and Designating the Order of Succession
for the Director of Emergency Services/the County Administrator (Government Code section
8638)**

Whereas, the continued functioning of the Board of Supervisors and the Director of Emergency Services/the County Administrator in any period of local or national emergency is crucial to ensure the continuity of governance and effective operation of the County of Sonoma;

Whereas, California Government Code section 8638 states, in pertinent part, “To provide for the continuance of the legislative and executive departments of the political subdivision during a...state of emergency or a local emergency the governing body thereof shall have the power to appoint the following standby officers: (a) Three for each member of the governing body; and (b) Three for the chief executive, if [the chief executive]] is not a member of the governing body....Standby officers shall be designated Nos. 1, 2, and 3 as the case may be.”

Whereas, Sonoma County Code section 10-18 authorizes the Board of Supervisors to “appoint three standby officers for each member of such board to succeed to such member’s duties in the event of [her/his] unavailability as a result of a disaster.”

Whereas, Sonoma County Code section 10-4 designates the County Administrator as the Director of Emergency Services.

Whereas, Sonoma County Code section 10-5(h) authorizes that the Director of Emergency Services “shall designate the order of succession to that office to take effect in the event the director is unable to attend meetings, or to otherwise perform [her/his] duties during an emergency.”

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors and the Director of Emergency Services/the County Administrator have carefully considered the qualifications of each of the standby officers listed on the attachment and have given consideration to places of residence and work, in accordance with California Government Code section 8639.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved

I. That the Board of Supervisors appoints the individuals identified in Attachment A, in the order listed, as standby officers;

II. That the Board of Supervisors approves the list of individuals designated by the Director of Emergency Services/the County Administrator in the Attachment B, in the order listed, as standby officers;

III. That each standby officer shall take the oath of office required for the officer occupying the office for which she/he stands by upon her/his appointment as stand by, in accordance with Government Code section 8640;

IV. That each standby officer shall remain informed of the duties of office and the business and affairs of the office for which the officer stands by, in accordance with Government Code section 8641;

V. That, per Government Code section 8640, standby officers serve at the pleasure of the Board and may be removed or replaced at any time with or without cause;

VI. That, in the event of an emergency, each standby officer contacted shall immediately report ready for duty, in accordance with Government Code section 8641.

Supervisors:

Rabbitt: Zane: Gore: Hopkins: Gorin:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.

Attachment A

STANDBY OFFICERS – Board of Supervisors

For Supervisor Susan Gorin (Chair)

1. Pat Gilardi
2. Logan Harvey
3. Victoria Fleming

For Supervisor Lynda Hopkins (Vice Chair)

1. Herman G. Hernandez
2. Stephanie Manieri
3. Kellie Noe

For Supervisor Shirlee Zane (Chair Pro-Tem)

1. Alegria De La Cruz
2. Jennielyn Holmes
3. Carolyn Wasem

For Supervisor David Rabbitt

1. Andrea Krout
2. Todd Mendoza
3. Elece Hempel

For Supervisor James Gore

1. Karen Fies
2. Jenny Chamberlain

Attachment B

STANDBY OFFICERS – Director of Emergency Services/County Administrator

For the Director of Emergency Services/County Administrator

1. Christina Rivera