July 29, 2014

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

Re: First Reading: Ordinance Banning the Sale of Tobacco and Tobacco Products at Pharmacies

Dear Supervisors,

RECOMMENDATION: Conduct First Reading of Ordinance and set the Merit Hearing for consideration of passage of the Ordinance for August 5, 2014, at 10:30 a.m.

SUMMARY: Health and Human Services and Supervisor Adams are requesting Board consideration of an Ordinance Banning the Sale of Tobacco and Tobacco Products at Pharmacies, drugstores and any retail store that contains a pharmacy. This proposed Ordinance is supported by a large number of organizations including the California Pharmacists Association, key community leaders and the California Medical Association. The rationale for the Ordinance is that retailers who are promoting the cure for tobacco related illnesses should not be promoting the sales of the cause. The first reading of the Ordinance is required today and a merit hearing should be scheduled for August 5, 2014.

FISCAL/STAFFING IMPACT: None or nominal.

REVIEWED BY:

☐ Auditor-Controller  x  N/A
x  County Counsel  x  N/A
☐ Human Resources  x  N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Clerk of the Board