January 27, 2009

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

SUBJECT: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, requests execution of FFY 2008 - 2011 State Agreement #08-85447 with California Department of Public Health for \$3,408,000 to provide supplemental nutrition program resources to low-income families. (Renewal)

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Authorize the President to execute FFY 2008 - 2011 State Agreement #08-85447 and related documents.

SUMMARY: The Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program is a federally mandated supplemental nutrition program for low-income families. The WIC program provides supplemental nutritional food vouchers; education and breastfeeding support; assesses the nutritional needs and health status of qualifying mothers, pregnant women, and children ages 0-5 years and provides information and referral services; conducts outreach activities; and provides health education and information materials. During the past fiscal year, Marin's WIC program exceeded their caseload every month.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: The Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program enhances the health of the community through education of qualifying families in healthy lifestyle choices and providing access to supplemental food.

FISCAL IMPACT: The total amount of this multi-year agreement operating on the federal fiscal year is \$3,408,000: FY 08-09 - \$848,000; FY 09-10 - \$1,126,000; and FY 10-11 - \$1,434,000. There is no increase in net County cost. The Department will work with the CAO to make the necessary budget adjustments during the FY 08/09 midyear budget process.

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