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Board of Supervisors
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800 S. Victoria Avenue
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SUBJECT: Recommendation of Supervisor Zaragoza to Appoint Soledad Barragán to the Behavior Health Advisory Board (BHAB).

RECOMMENDATION:

Appoint Soledad Barragán to the Behavior Health Advisory Board for a three-year term effective immediately as of September 15, 2020 ending on September 15, 2023.

DISCUSSION:

Soledad Barragán, a resident in Oxnard has expressed interest in participating on the BHAB. She is very well qualified and meets the County's requirements to participate on the BHAB for the Fifth District.

I am much honored Ms. Barragán has expressed interest to participate on this very important board, she has been an important figure for our youth and families through her work as a community parent liaison. Ms. Barragán has been instrumental in sharing with the community county programs and services and specific to Health Care Agency, Behavior Health Department, she encourages and allows a space for Behavior Health to provide information and psychoeducation classes to parents through school groups such as D-LAC and E-LAC. Her initial groundwork started with El Centrito (*The Small Center*) as a Parent Coordinator 15 years ago with parents from La Colonia in Oxnard. She is a founder of "Padres Promotores Para La Education (*Parent Advocates for Education*)," a door-to-door campaign informing and empowering parents about the K-12 system. Ms. Barragán has been instrumental in connecting residents with both communities based and county agencies.

I fully support and recommend Soledad Barragán to be appointed on the Behavioral Health Advisory Board effective immediately for a three-year term starting September 15, 2020, ending on September 15, 2023.

Respectfully,


John C. Zaragoza
Fifth District