

- g. Adopt Commendation for Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) on the Occasion of the Grand Opening of its New Dental Clinic. (Chavez)
(ID# 24-5504)

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Clara has a longstanding commitment to promoting a healthy, safe, and prosperous community for all its residents. The mission of Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) aligns with the County of Santa Clara in seeking to strengthen the hope and resilience of our diverse communities by improving their health and wellbeing;

WHEREAS, oral health is a critical component of overall health, with research showing poor oral health being linked to cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, Alzheimer's disease, pregnancy complications, and other chronic and systemic conditions;

WHEREAS, an estimated 64,000 Medi-Cal enrollees in AACI's service area are currently unserved for routine and preventive dental services, and an additional 82,000 Medi-Cal enrollees in the same service area are unserved for dental treatment services;

WHEREAS, AACI Family Dentistry formed in 2022 as a response to both the persistently high need for dental services and the critical shortage of low-cost dental providers who accept Medi-Cal. Today, dental services are fully integrated into AACI's model of providing affordable, high-quality, and patient-centered primary care, behavioral health, and wellness services; and

WHEREAS, AACI's efforts extend beyond treatment, seeking to provide personalized care and education that focuses on prevention and early intervention, thereby reducing the need for treatment services in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara does hereby recognize and commend

AACI Family Dentistry

for its responsiveness to community needs and for its efforts to reduce health disparities by providing culturally and linguistically sensitive services to many of Santa Clara County's most underserved communities, regardless of their immigration status or ability to pay.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara, State of California, on this Sixteenth Day of April, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four by unanimous vote.

Susan Ellenberg
President, Board of Supervisors

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Supervisor, District One

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Supervisor, District Two

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Supervisor, District Five

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County of Santa Clara
Supervisory District Two



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DATE: April 16, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Cindy Chavez, Supervisor

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ATTACHMENTS:

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