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San Mateo County Mosquito & Vector Control District Board of Trustees Elects New Officers

Burlingame, CA – Feb. 20, 2018 – During their regularly scheduled meeting in January, the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District Board of Trustees held elections for the positions of President of the Board, Vice-President of the Board, Board Secretary, and Assistant Board Secretary. The trustees elected to these positions took office on Feb. 14th, and will serve for two years.

“Donna Rutherford and Rick Wykoff showed great leadership and I hope we can keep the ship going to the same direction going forward,” said incoming President of the Board Joe Galligan, referring to the two previous board presidents. Galligan previously served as Vice President, and has been a member of the Board of Trustees since being appointed by the City of Burlingame in 2014.

Wade Leschyn, appointed by the City of Belmont in 2014, takes Joe Galligan’s place as Vice President of the Board. “I feel privileged to be chosen to serve the Mosquito and Vector Control District as one of its officers,” Leschyn said. “I know the important work the District does protecting the health of San Mateo County residents. I hope to assist the District in stewarding its fiscal health and educating the public about the role and services we perform.”

Kati Martin, appointed by the City of Half Moon Bay, was reelected as Secretary of the Board of Trustees, while Kat Lion, appointed by the City of Redwood City, was reelected as Assistant Secretary.

“Our outgoing board officers, as well as the trustees who have held these positions in previous years, have played an important role in shaping the District into the transparent, accountable public agency that we’re so proud of today,” said District Manager Dr. Chindi Peavey. San

Mateo Mosquito and Vector Control District was awarded the Special Districts Leadership Foundation's District Transparency Certificate of Excellence. In 2017, the District also became the first mosquito and vector control district in California to be designated a District of Distinction by the Special Districts Leadership Foundation, recognizing the District's ongoing commitment to good financial management and public transparency.

Since 1916, San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District has been protecting public health in San Mateo County through an integrated vector management program to monitor and reduce mosquitoes and other disease vectors.

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