

Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California

Resolution No.

Resolution in support of stable and sustainable funding to the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Program

WHEREAS, funding of the IHSS program is provided for by Federal, State, and County authorities; and

WHEREAS, State funding for the IHSS program accounts for 35% of the program's budget; and

WHEREAS, every year the State budget targets the IHSS program; and

WHEREAS, IHSS providers are currently being waitlisted for health insurance; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey currently faces a shortage of homecare workers to provide services; and

WHEREAS, with the shortage of caregivers in the County of Monterey that currently exists, any cuts to the IHSS budget has the potential to severely augment this crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors:

1. Established a strategic partnership with long term advocates including the caregiver's union, SEIU 2015, to advocate for and restore appropriate funding for the IHSS program; and
2. Informs Governor Brown and the California State Legislature of the County of Monterey's endorsement of the IHSS funding solution contained in the Governor's May Revision Budget as negotiated by the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and the Governor; and
3. Given the current State Budget situation, the County of Monterey commits to work toward a more stable and sustainable funding agreement working through CSAC, the Governor, and the Legislature in the out years of the IHSS funding agreement; and
4. The County of Monterey supports the development of statewide caregiver retention and outreach solutions to prevent consumers from experiencing gaps in care; supports the collection and review of information on the challenges facing delivery of the IHSS program; and will work collectively to ensure support for this critical program that supports seniors and people with disabilities to live safely in their homes and communities without having to rely on more costly hospitalization and nursing care.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ____day of____, 2017, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book _____, for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Monterey, State of California.

By _____ Deputy