HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
October 20, 2021, 3pm

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1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Public Comment
3. Action/Information/Discussion
   3.1 Action Item: Vote to recommend five persons for appointment to vacant or expiring seats on the Homeless Services Oversight Council
4. Next Regular Meeting Date: December 15, 2021
5. Adjournment
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 3.1

ITEM: Vote to recommend five persons for appointment to vacant or expiring seats on the Homeless Services Oversight Council

ACTION REQUIRED: It is requested that the Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC) Executive Committee: approve the nominations of Brenda Mack for a second term for the Currently or Formerly Homeless Person seat she currently holds, William Crewe for a second term for the Veterans Service Representative seat he currently holds, Susan Lamont for a second term for the Victims’ Services Representative seat she currently holds, Bettina Swigger for a second term for the Local Businesses/Business Organizations seat she currently holds, and Wendy Lewis for the Non-profit Service Providers seat previously held by Grace McIntosh; and recommend them to the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors for appointment to the HSOC.

SUMMARY NARRATIVE:

There are 27 membership seats on the HSOC. Members are appointed to the HSOC by the County Board of Supervisors, with the exception of seven seats reserved for representatives from the seven incorporated cities in the County, which are appointed by the City Councils of each city, and one seat reserved for a representative from the County Board of Supervisors, which is appointed by the County Board of Supervisors. With the exception of the seats reserved for elected officials, members are appointed to three-year terms. To ensure continuity of the HSOC, term expirations are staggered among the seats, such that approximately 1/3 of the seats expire in a given year. Terms expire in January of the year in which the term ends.

There are currently four seats due to expire in January 2022. In addition, there are two other seats that are available for application due to resignations or expiring terms. At the September 2021 HSOC meeting, the terms that were expiring were reviewed and a request was made for applications from the public.

A total of seven applications were received. An ad hoc Nominating Committee met in October to consider the applications and recommended the following five candidates for seats on the HSOC:
Brenda Mack for the Currently or Formerly Homeless Person seat for a term that will expire January 2025. Ms. Mack has served as a volunteer for Transitions Mental Health Association's Life House clinic, currently serves as Housing Chair of SLO NAACP, and has worked as a Psychiatric Technician. She has also volunteered with community-based organizations to advocate on behalf of people experiencing homelessness and mental illness.

William Crewe for the Veterans Service Representative seat that will expire January 2025. Mr. Crewe is currently President for Central Coast Veterans Helping Veterans, Treasurer for SLO Veterans Services Collaborative, and serves on the Executive Committee for American Legion Post 66. He has played an active role in working to increase services for homeless veterans, including serving as a site Supervisor and Advisory Board member for Shower the People, participating as a Homeless Point in Time County volunteer, and serving on the HSOC Finance and Data Committee.

Susan Lamont for the Victims' Services Representative seat for a term that will expire January 2025. Ms. Lamont is the Interim Chief Program Officer for Lumina Alliance, which provides services and shelter to persons fleeing from intimate partner violence, and was formerly the Associate Director for RISE. In addition to her five years of experience at RISE and Lumina Alliance, Ms. Lamont has previously worked at the LINK in Atascadero and served as a patient advocate in Colorado.

Bettina Swigger for the Local Businesses/Business Organizations seat for a term that will expire January 2025. Ms. Swigger is the Chief Executive Officer of Downtown SLO, the nonprofit downtown business association which provides homeless outreach. Ms. Swigger has also served in the nonprofit sector for fifteen years.

Wendy Lewis for the Non-profit Service Providers seat vacated by Grace McIntosh for a term that will expire January 2024. Ms. Lewis has served as President and CEO of ECHO (El Camino Homeless Organization) for four years, as well as serving on the board for the Atascadero Chamber of Commerce and the Atascadero Babe Ruth Board.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT**

No current fiscal impact is anticipated.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

It is recommended that the Homeless Services Oversight Council approve this item. Upon the HSOC's approval, staff will submit a recommendation for appointment to the Board of Supervisors.
ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – All applications received
Attachment B – HSOC Membership Composition as of October 2021
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 9/28/2021

Applying For: **Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)**

Name: Swigger Bettina L

Address: [ ] Number [ ] Street [ ] City [ ] Zip Code

Email Address: 

Home Phone: [ ] Business Phone: [ ]

Place an “X” next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

- [ ] County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
- [ ] Non-profit Service Providers
  - Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? 
- [ ] Affordable Housing Developers
- [ ] Local K-12 Academic Institution
- [ ] Local Businesses/Business Organizations
- [ ] Law Enforcement
- [ ] Local Health Provider
- [ ] Local Faith Community
- [ ] Interested Community (preferentially with homelessness experience)
- [ ] Currently or Formerly Homeless Person
- [ ] Veterans Services Representative
- [ ] Local University or School of Higher Education
- [ ] Local Hospital
- [ ] Victims’ Services Representative

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

I serve as CEO of Downtown SLO, the nonprofit downtown business association. In partnership with the City, Downtown SLO has a contract with CAPSLO to provide homeless outreach in downtown San Luis Obispo.

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

Downtown San Luis Obispo is home to more than 600 businesses, the cultural and governmental centers for our County, and is a popular destination for SLO County residents and visitors. Downtown also has a large population of unhoused people, who need services and whose daily activities impact the business community.
While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

Working downtown and serving the downtown community, I interact with unhoused people every day. While I have not directly worked in the social services, I have worked in the nonprofit sector for fifteen years and have had participated in trainings and worked with colleagues across disciplines to become educated about homelessness.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Downtown San Luis Obispo is affected by homelessness in major ways. As CEO of Downtown SLO, the topic of homelessness. Having a role on the HSOC for our organization would be an incredible opportunity for us to learn about county-wide activities and resources so that we could better educate our businesses and members. By having a seat on the Council, we will be able to share our experiences and communicate with others in order to implement best practices and ensure coordinated programs and outreach.

Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees?  ✔ Yes  ☐ No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission?  ✔ Yes  ☐ No

Signed Bettina Swigger (electronically) Date 9/28/2021

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Date called/interviewed  _____ Recommended for appointment?  _____ Yes  _____ No

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published?  _____ Yes  _____ No

Additional Comments:
Date: 9-29-2021

Applying For: **Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)**

Name: Mack Brenda

Address: [Redacted]

Email Address: [Redacted]

Home Phone: [Redacted] Business Phone: [Redacted]

Place an "X" next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

- [ ] County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
- [ ] Non-profit Service Providers
  Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? [Redacted]
- [ ] Affordable Housing Developers
- [ ] Local K-12 Academic Institution
- [ ] Local Businesses/Business Organizations
- [ ] Law Enforcement
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- [ ] Local Hospital
- [ ] Victims’ Services Representative

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

Housing Chair - NAACP
Thmavolunteer

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

Formerly homeless, also suffer from mental illness
While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

I am formally homeless and have experience at shelters, streets, and warming shelters. I advocate for the homeless and mentally ill.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

The homeless need representation on the board. Lived experience is everything.

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If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees? □ Yes □ No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? □ Yes □ No

Signed _______ Date _______

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Date called/interviewed _______ Recommended for appointment? ______ Yes ______ No

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published? ______ Yes ______ No

Additional Comments:
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 9-21-21

Applying For: Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)

Name: Lament Susan

Address: [Redacted]

Email Address: [Redacted]

Place an "X" next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

☐ County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
☒ Non-profit Service Providers
  Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? Entire County
☐ Affordable Housing Developers
☐ Local K-12 Academic Institution
☐ Local Businesses/Business Organizations
☐ Law Enforcement
☐ Local Health Provider
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☐ Veterans Services Representative
☐ Local University or School of Higher Education
☐ Local Hospital
☐ Victims' Services Representative

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

Lumina Alliance
Chief Program Officer

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

Lumina Alliance operates 3 shelters and we have 10 units for Transitional Housing. Our shelters are located in [Redacted] and transitional housing in [Redacted].
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Susan Larmont  Lumina Alliance

While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

I have worked as an Advocate or supervising Advocate Services since moving to San Luis Obispo County in 2015. The intersection of homelessness and domestic violence has been studied and recent statistics show 80% of mothers/children that are homeless have experienced DV and 39% of homeless women report that domestic violence was the immediate cause. Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

I think that including a member of Lumina Alliance based on the above statistics is a logical choice to provide HSOC with that perspective. I have been a current member for the past year and feel that I have become more valuable with the knowledge that I have gained thus far. Our County continues to spotlight the important issue of homelessness and I feel the meetings are well run, well attended and intelligently focused on solutions.

Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

I would love to continue to participate.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Signed

Date 9/21/21

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Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published? _____ Yes _____ No

Additional Comments:
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 10/12/20

Applying For: **Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)**

Name: Lewis

Last

Address: 

Number City Zip Code

First Middle Initial

Street

Email Address: 

Home Phone: 

Business Phone: 

Place an “X” next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

- [ ] County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
- [x] Non-profit Service Providers
- Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? North County SLO
- [ ] Affordable Housing Developers
- [ ] Local K-12 Academic Institution
- [ ] Local Businesses/Business Organizations
- [ ] Law Enforcement
- [ ] Local Health Provider
- [ ] Local Faith Community
- [ ] Interested Community (preferentially with homelessness experience)
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- [ ] Veterans Services Representative
- [ ] Local University or School of Higher Education
- [ ] Local Hospital
- [ ] Victims’ Services Representative

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

I have been the President and CEO for El Camino Homeless Organization for almost 4 years. I have served on the board for the Atascadero Chamber of Commerce and the Atascadero Babe Ruth Board.

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

I have served as the President and CEO of El Camino Homeless Organization for almost 4 years. Working in homeless services for over 4 years I have attended numerous educational opportunities on homeless services best practices, trauma informed care and housing first service strategies. I was instrumental in growing the COC’s service capabilities and increasing the number of shelter beds in our county.
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While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

In my time at ECHO I have learned an incredible amount about people facing homelessness and ways to better serve them and give them a voice in what is needed to help them find housing and have a better experience while being served. I have also attended HSOC meetings regularly as a guest and numerous sub-committee meetings as well.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

I would love to serve on HSOC to provide input as a service provider and also bring the voice of the hundreds of people we serve. I would also love being part of helping grow our Continuum of Care to include bringing more resources to our county and a variety of options for the unhoused population recognizing that different service options county wide like safe parking, tiny home villages, safe camping and more. I also love the collaborative spirit growing on our county amongst service providers and would love to be part of growth there as well.

Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees? □ Yes □ No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? □ Yes □ No

Signed ________________________________ Date 10/12/20

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Additional Comments:
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 10/5/21

Applying For: Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)

Name: ____________________________

Last: __________ First: __________ Middle Initial: __________

Address: ____________________________

Number: __________ Street: __________ City: __________ Zip Code: __________

Email Address: ____________________________

Home Phone: ____________________________ Business Phone: ____________________________

Place an “X” next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

☐ County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)

☐ Non-profit Service Providers

☐ Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? ____________________________

☐ Affordable Housing Developers

☐ Local K-12 Academic Institution

☐ Local Businesses/Business Organizations

☐ Law Enforcement

☐ Local Health Provider

☐ Local Faith Community

☐ Interested Community (preferentially with homelessness experience)

☐ Currently or Formerly Homeless Person

☐ Veterans Services Representative

☐ Local University or School of Higher Education

☐ Local Hospital

☐ Victims’ Services Representative

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

President, Central Coast Veterans Helping Veterans; Treasurer, SLO Veterans Services Collaborative; Executive Committee, American Legion Post 66;

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

I am a retired Army officer with over 25 years service. I have been involved in working with homeless veterans and collaborating with various agencies (including resolving issues with the VA on veterans benefits).
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While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

I have been an alternate member and a member of HSOC for several years. I have also been a member of the HSOC Finance and Data Committee. In 2019, I was a volunteer for the PIT. I have also collaborated with homeless service agencies such as SSVF, HUD-VASH, the Veterans Service Office (VSO) to solve housing issues for veterans. I have also volunteered with two homeless shower facilities to develop a direct understanding of the plight of the homeless.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

I have compassion for the homeless. Particularly for the large percentage of those who are veterans. I believe we should and can do more to relieve their plight. I want to contribute to being part of the solution.

Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Signed ___________________________ Date 10/5/21

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Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published? _____ Yes _____ No

Additional Comments:
DATE: 9/28/21

APPLYING FOR: **Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)**

NAME: 

Last: Olson
First: Garret
Middle Initial: M

ADDRESS: 

Number: ___
Street: ___
City: ___
Zip Code: ___

EMAIL ADDRESS: 

Home Phone: ___
Business Phone: ___

PLACE AN "X" NEXT TO THE HSOC MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY BELOW WHICH YOU WISH TO REPRESENT:

- [ ] County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
- [x] Non-profit Service Providers
- [ ] Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? (The entire county)
- [ ] Affordable Housing Developers
- [ ] Local K-12 Academic Institution
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PLEASE CITE YOUR AFFILIATION, AS STAFF MEMBER, BOARD MEMBER OR VOLUNTEER, WITH ANY COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION:

I am the current CEO of the Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County (SLO Food Bank). I am also the past Fire Chief for the City of San Luis Obispo and a current resident of the City of San Luis Obispo who lives close to Mitchell Park.

PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW YOU QUALIFY FOR THE HSOC CATEGORY WHICH YOU HAVE SELECTED ABOVE:

The SLO Food Bank provides hunger relief to all in-need in our county. In addition to staffing over 60 distribution sites per month, we provide hunger relief resources to 83 other nonprofits, including organizations which provide assistance to those experiencing homelessness. Our No Cook Bag program is specifically designed to meet the unique needs of those experiencing homelessness.
While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

I spent 30 years in the Fire Service in positions ranging from firefighter-paramedic up through fire chief. I have an intimate working knowledge of serving people from all walks of life, including those struggling with housing, substance abuse, mental health crisis, and extreme poverty. As CEO, I now lead our team to accomplish our mission to alleviate hunger and improve health in SLO County. A major component of our operations involves meeting the unique needs of our homeless clients.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

I am driven by opportunities to learn, to analyze strategically, and to create meaningful change driven by data, opportunity, and collaboration. I’ve seen first-hand the tragic human realities faced by those who are most vulnerable, marginalized, and/or oftentimes invisible or dismissed in our society. I recognize the incredible complexity of this issue. I am a persistent change agent who believes all our time is too valuable to be spent meeting for meeting’s sake. I am respectful of other’s beliefs, and I am comfortable asking difficult questions and having difficult questions posed to me.

Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees?  Yes  No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission?  Yes  No

Signed  Garret M. Olson (electronic signature)  Date  9/28/21

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Date called/interviewed  ______  Recommended for appointment?  ______  Yes  ______  No

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone number(s) published?  ______  Yes  ______  No

Additional Comments:
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 10/1/21

Applying For: **Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)**

Name: ___________________________________________  Last
                                                Jim
                                                First
                                                Middle Initial

Address: __________________________________________  Number
                                                Street
                                                City
                                                Zip Code

Email Address: ______________________________________

Home Phone: ______________________  Business Phone: ______________________

Place an “X” next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

☐ County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
☐ Non-profit Service Providers
  Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? ______________________
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☐ Local K-12 Academic Institution
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☐ Victims’ Services Representative

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:
As the President/CEO of the SLO Chamber, I will represent our 1,300 member businesses located throughout San Luis Obispo County.
While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

Prior to joining the SLO Chamber as President/CEO in 2018, I worked as chief of staff for four different Los Angeles City Council members, managing diverse districts and getting a first hand look at what happens when we do not effectively address homelessness. In these roles, I worked closely with agencies, service providers and concerned community members to make strides on complex issues including housing and homelessness. Drafting legislation, building coalitions and advocating for more resources were key parts of my work.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Compared to similar communities, SLO County has one of the highest rates of unsheltered residents in the nation but we still have an opportunity to make a real impact. With the coming 10 year plan, we have a unique opportunity to work together with shared goals, leverage unprecedented state investment and implement proven strategies. I want to be part of the team leading this work.

Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees?  

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission?  

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Signed  Jim Dantona  

Date 10/1/21

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Date called/interviewed ______  Recommended for appointment? _____ Yes _____ No

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published? _____ Yes _____ No

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