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For Immediate Release - Notice of Upcoming Vacancy

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Commission

President of the Board of Supervisors Warren Slocum announced that applications for appointment to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Commission are being accepted (About the Commission). There are two (2) upcoming vacancies; one (1) Member and one (1) Youth member. To be eligible, applicants must live in San Mateo County. The ideal candidate will possess several of the following attributes:

- Have an abiding interest in furthering the equality and well-being of LGBTQ individuals
- Demonstrate knowledge of LGBTQ issues affecting under-represented communities including youth, communities of color, non-English speakers, older LGBTQ adults, immigrants, physically and mentally disabled individuals and economically disadvantaged LGBTQ residents of San Mateo County
- Demonstrated ability to effectively provide outreach to underserved and at-risk LGBTQ populations
- Demonstrated experience promoting programs that foster the well-being and civic participation of LGBTQ individuals in San Mateo County
- Knowledge of a broad spectrum of LGBTQ community resources and the ability to leverage community contacts
- Ability and willingness to work collaboratively with other members of the Commission to achieve Commission goals
- Ability and willingness to devote sufficient time and resources to carry out the responsibilities of the Commission
- Experience and interest with the Commission's current work plans which include data analysis
 to vet policy proposals; policy & funding for awareness campaigns around AB 1732 and LGBTQ
 training needs; and visibility work across the County involving Pride, visibility campaign, and the
 needs of transgender and senior community members.



The Commission encourages candidates to attend a minimum of one LGBTQ Commission meeting prior to applying. Attending a LGBTQ Commission meeting may help the candidate understand more about member roles, how meetings are conducted and meet current commissioners. The Commission consists of eleven (11) voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The LGBTQ Commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month at the San Mateo County Pride Center, 1021 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, 6:30 – 8:30 PM; however due to COVID-19, the LGBTQ Commission is currently meeting virtually.

Applications must be received on or before Monday, June 15, 2020 by 5:00 PM. Applications can be obtained from Sherry Golestan, Deputy Clerk of the Board, sgolestan@smcgov.org or (650) 363-4609. Applications are also available on-line at the County website: https://bnc.smcgov.org/vacancies.

For information about this commission, contact Tanya Beat, LGBTQ Commission Director, tbeat@smcgov.org or (650) 363-4467 and read the commission website: http://lgbtq.smcgov.org. For information about this release, contact Sherry Golestan, Deputy Clerk of the Board, sgolestan@smcgov.org.

