



Proclamation

HONORING HARRY FOSTER FOR HIS DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO FAMILY HEALTHCARE NETWORK

WHEREAS, Harry Foster is retiring as President and Chief Executive Officer after 30 years of public service with Family HealthCare Network (FHCN); and

WHEREAS, at the start of FHCN, it employed about 10 staff members and served about 1,000 people, providing about 3,5000 visits per year; and

WHEREAS, during his 30 years of service, Foster has built FHCN as one of the largest providers of health services to the farmworker population in the State of California currently serving 111,000 active patients with over 499,000 visits provided during the last year; and

WHEREAS, among many various community leadership roles, Harry Foster has been very actively involved in local, state and national organizations associated with serving the underserved, including as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Central Valley Health Network, Board Chairman of California Primary Care Association and Board Chairman of the National Center for Farmworker Health, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Harry Foster's hard work and perseverance has been recognized by many organizations over the years; some awards include being the Recipient of the Community Hero Award from Anthem Blue Cross, the Tulare County Hispanic Heritage Award Recipient, the Olympic Torch Bearer for Salt Lake City Olympics Torch Relay, and being named the Outstanding Health Care Administrator in the nation by the National Association of Community Health Centers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Tulare County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in honoring Harry Foster for his dedication and service to Family HealthCare Network for the past 30 years.

December 1, 2012



Allen Ishida, Chairman

Pete Vander Poel, Vice Chairman

Phillip A. Cox

J. Steven Worthley

Mike Ennis