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Brian Dufour Named to Petaluma Health Care District Board

Petaluma, Calif. – December 8, 2020 – The <u>Petaluma Health Care District</u> (PHCD) is pleased to announce the appointment of Brian Dufour to its board of directors. Sworn in on December 4th after receiving approval from the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors, Dufour was named to a seat left vacant during the election cycle. He joins four other volunteer board members.

"We are thrilled to have Brian join us on the board after his many years of community involvement and dedication to improving the health of South Sonoma County," said PHCD CEO Ramona Faith. "For over five years, he has been an active participant on CHIPA (<u>Community</u> <u>Health Initiative of the Petaluma Area</u>), a PHCD community health advisory committee. He has also served for the last two years on the PHCD grant committee. His professional and volunteer experience and close affiliations with many local nonprofits make his appointment particularly strategic as we enter an exciting new era following the sale of Petaluma Valley Hospital."

In addition to his volunteer service with PHCD committees, he currently serves as the tobacco education and prevention programs coordinator for Petaluma City Schools, is an active board member for the Northern California Center for Well-Being, and is pursuing a master's degree in public health. His volunteer experience includes a wealth of connections across Sonoma County's network of health and wellness-focused organizations, which makes him intimately acquainted with the community's challenges and health priorities.

PHCD board members, all local residents, serve four-year terms. Dufour joins Board President Elece Hempel, Vice President Crista Nelson, Treasurer Dr. Jeffery Tobias and Director Gabriella Ambrosi.

About Petaluma Health Care District

The Petaluma Health Care District (PHCD) is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of the southern Sonoma County community through leadership, advocacy, support, partnerships and education. Its vision is to foster a healthier community, a thriving hospital and local access to comprehensive health and wellness services. PHCD has served the health and wellness needs of the community for more than 70 years and is a public agency managed by the community for the community. For more information, please visit <u>www.phcd.org</u>. Follow PHCD on <u>Facebook</u> and @PHCDistrict on Twitter.

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