RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-324

MEETING: July 7, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Terri Peresan, Community Services Director

RE: Certificates of Compliance -- Veterans Affairs Subvention & Medi-Cal FY 2015-16

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve Certificates of Compliance for the Veterans Affairs Subvention Program & Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Certificates of Compliance.

These are annual documents that must be renewed each fiscal year in order for the County of Mariposa to receive compensation for our Veterans' Services Office paid by the State of California for the County Subvention Program and the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Historically, the Board of Supervisors has approved and Board Chair signed the documents every year.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
1. Funding from the State of California for the Veterans' Services Officer position in the County of Mariposa would be terminated.

2. Veterans, their dependents, and their survivors in Mariposa County could be deprived of assistance if filing for their rights to any privilege, preference, care or compensation provided for by the laws of the United States or the State of California.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Funding from the State of California for the Veterans' Services Officer position in the County of Mariposa would be terminated if the Certificates of Compliance are not approved, which would increase the cost to the County's General Fund for the continued operation of this program.

ATTACHMENTS:
Subvention Certificate of Compliance FY 2015-16 (PDF)
Medi-Cal Certificate of Compliance FY 2015-16 (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended
RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

MEDI-CAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

MARIPOSA COUNTY

MEDI-CAL COST AVOIDANCE PROGRAM

I certify that Mariposa County has appointed a County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) in compliance with California Code of Regulations, Title 12, Subchapter 4. Please consider this as our application to participate in the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program authorized by Military and Veterans Code Section 972.5.

I understand and will comply with the following:

1. All activities of the CVSO for which payment is made by CalVet under this agreement will reasonably benefit the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) or realize cost avoidance to the Medi-Cal program. All County Medi-Cal Eligibility Workers who generate a Form CW-5 (Veterans Benefits Referral) will be instructed to indicate the applicant’s Aid Code on the face of the form.

2. All monies received under this agreement shall be allocated to and spent on the salaries and expenses of the CVSO.

3. This agreement is binding only if federal funds are available to CalVet from the DHCS.

4. The CVSO is responsible for administering this program in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 12, Subchapter 4 and the CalVet Procedure Manual for Subvention and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance for the current state fiscal year.

[Signature]
Chair, County Board of Supervisors
(or other County Official authorized by the Board to act on their behalf)

7-7-15
Date
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
SUBVENTION CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016
COUNTY SUBVENTION PROGRAM

Charge:
Funds are distributed under this program to counties as partial reimbursement for expenses incurred in the operation of the County Veterans Service Office. Funds are distributed according to Military and Veterans Code Sections 972, and 972.1, a State General Fund Expenditure, and 972.2, a Special Fund Expenditure.

County Certification:
I certify that Mariposa County has appointed a veteran to serve as the County Veterans Service Officer according to California Code of Regulations Title 12, Subchapter 4. This County Veterans Service Officer will administer the aid provided for in Military and Veterans Code Division 4, Chapter 5. This County Veterans Service Officer and Veterans Service Representative staff will achieve and maintain Accreditation from the California Department of Veterans Affairs. Accreditation will be secured within one year of employment.

I further certify that the County Veteran Service Officer will assist every veteran of the United States, as well as their dependents and survivors, in presenting and pursuing such claim as they may have against the United States. The County Veterans Service Officer and all accredited staff will also assist in establishing veterans, dependents and survivors’ rights to any privilege, preference, care or compensation provided for by the laws and regulations of the United States, the State of California, or any local jurisdiction.

I also agree that this county, through the County Veterans Service Office, will maintain records for audit. These records will be maintained for a minimum of two years. The county agrees to submit reports in accordance with the procedures and timelines established by CalVet and in accordance with the CalVet Procedure Manual for Subvention and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance for the current state fiscal year. The County Veterans Service Officer will permit CalVet representatives to inspect all records.

I further authorize the County Veterans Service Officer to actively participate in the promotion of the California Veterans License Plate program.

[Signature]
Chair, County Board of Supervisors
(Or other County Official authorized by the Board to act on their behalf)

[Date]
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