RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2017-691

MEETING: October 10, 2017

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Authorize Adding One Full Time Mental Health Clinician Position; and Approve Budget Action

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the Allocation of One Full Time Mental Health Clinician Position in the Behavioral Health Budget Effective Immediately; and Approve a Budget Action Transferring Funds within the Human Services Behavioral Health Budget to Accommodate the Additional Position.

The attached budget action moves mental health realignment funds ($67,227) into the Behavioral Health 001-0402 budget unit to cover this request.

The Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) Unit of Human Services needs an additional Mental Health Clinician to meet the demand for client services. Additionally, with the Triage Grant and programmatic changes to the way staff does crisis/triage work in the community, an additional Mental Health Clinician has become necessary. This position will assess, diagnosis, counsel and provide psychotherapeutic treatment, rehabilitation and care coordination for seriously emotionally disturbed children and adolescents, and seriously and persistently mentally ill adults. Further, this position will provide educational and consultation services to other community agencies and the public. This position will be allocated 100% in the Behavioral Health Budget.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board of Supervisors must review and approve new allocation requests.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
By not adding this Mental Health Clinician position, staff may be unable to keep up with client demands, and the Department would forego increased Medi-Cal revenue this position could generate.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This position will be funded with mental health realignment funds and Medi-Cal revenue from services performed and claimed. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, Miles Menetrey
EXCUSED: Kevin Cann
# BUDGET ACTION FORM

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**TOTAL**  
$67,227  $67,227

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## TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS

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### TOTALS

$0  $0

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**ACTION REQUESTED:** (Check all that apply)

- Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;

- Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

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**JUSTIFICATION:**

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**DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE**  
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**DATE**  
9-25-17

**APPROVED BY RES NO.**  
17-091  
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**DATE**  
10-10-17

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