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The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor of California
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The Honorable Mark Ghaly, MD
Secretary, CA Health and Human Services Agency
160 Ninth Street, Room 460
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The Honorable Sonia Y. Angell, MD
California Department of Public Health Director
State Health Officer
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Dear Governor Newsom, Secretary Ghaly, and Director Angell:

The Napa County Board of Supervisors is pleased to provide you with our strong support for the attestation that Napa County Public Health Officer, Dr. Karen Relucio, is making with respect to meeting the readiness criteria set forth in the California Department of Public Health's (CDPH's) "Variance to Stage 2 of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay-at-Home Order COVID-19 County Variance Attestation Form." We appreciate that the purpose of this attestation is to permit counties, like Napa County, that are able to demonstrate an ability to protect the public and essential workers, to progress further into Stage 2 by reopening additional businesses and workplaces.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Relucio has kept the Board of Supervisors and cities apprised of the very latest information. She has also demonstrated public health leadership throughout the County to help coordinate healthcare systems, monitor healthcare capacity, and provide community-wide surveillance. We believe that Dr. Relucio has implemented community mitigation strategies that have helped Napa County flatten the curve.

We strongly agree with Dr. Relucio's assessment that Napa County is actively monitoring infection through epidemiology, implementing containment measures, offering a sufficient amount of testing and

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contact tracing, monitoring hospitals capacity and plans for surge, and protecting vulnerable populations. Our County has also made available guidance for our essential critical infrastructure workforce on how to structure the physical environment to protect essential workers. We, like other jurisdictions and healthcare providers across the County, also have sufficient personal protective equipment (PPE) to protect our essential workers, both now and as we move further in Stage 2.

The Napa County Board of Supervisors support the need to protect vulnerable populations, continue social distancing, and monitor indicators that may trigger the need to reinstate more restrictive measures. At the same time, it is important to find a balance that allows for some businesses to reopen while ensuring the community's health. Napa County's plan to proceed with a variance in order to allow more businesses and workplaces to open is good for our community.

We support the attestation by Dr. Relucio that the County can meet the readiness criteria outlined by the CDPH to allow for further progression into Stage 2 of the Governor's Pandemic Roadmap.

Thank you for the opportunity for the Board of Supervisors to its express our whole-hearted support through this process.

Sincerely,

Diane Dillon, Chair
Board of Supervisors

Cc: Senator Bill Dodd
Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry
Members, Napa County Board of Supervisors
Mayors and Councilmembers of the Cities/Town of Napa County