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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lawrance Florin - Director
Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs

REPORT BY: Michael Karath, Staff Assistant - BOS - 299-1477

SUBJECT: Presidential Medal of Freedom recommendation for Garen and Shari Stanglin

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs, at the request of Congressman Mike Thompson, requests adoption of a resolution recommending Garen and Shari Stanglin to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom for their work in raising awareness and fundraising for brain and mental health research.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Director of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs, at the request of Congressman Mike Thompson, seeks approval for resolution recommending Garen and Shari Stanglin to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom for their work in raising awareness and fundraising for brain and mental health research.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

At the request of Congressman Mike Thompson, adoption of this resolution recommends Garen and Shari Stanglin to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom for their work in raising awareness and fundraising for brain and mental health research.

The Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award, recognizes individuals who have made an especially meritorious contribution to the security or national interests of the United States, world peace, cultural or other significant public or private endeavors, was established by President Truman in 1945 to recognize notable service in the war, and was reintroduced in 1963 by President Kennedy as an honor for distinguished civilian service in peacetime,

Garen and Shari Staglin have raised more than \$200 million over two decades for brain and mental health research with the goal of finding cures for psychiatric illness through their fundraising efforts by establishing an annual music event, the Music Festival for Brain Health, that takes place at the family business, Staglin Family Vineyards and Winery in Napa Valley.

In March 2015, the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) opened the Staglin Family Music Festival Center for Brain and Behavioral Health, which is dedicated to research on restoring brain health with funds contributed by the Staglin family, and which will also provide seed money to interdisciplinary teams of scholars to advance the understanding of many areas in brain health, ranging from depression to memory loss to schizophrenia,

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . RESOLUTION - Staglin - Presidential Medal of Freedom

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan