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**SUBJECT: Election in County Service Area No. 27 to Approve an Increase in the Special Paramedic Service Tax for 2019-2023**

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Resolution calling a special election for County Service Area No. 27 to be consolidated with the November 6, 2018 General Election on a measure increasing a special tax for paramedic services; Adopting intended ballot language; and Authorizing the County Registrar of Voters to take appropriate action

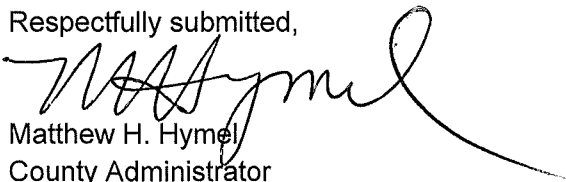
**BACKGROUND:** At the request of the Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (RVPA) Joint Powers Authority, each member of the RVPA is scheduling an election for November 6, 2018 to consider an increase in the paramedic tax cap. To meet the cost of paramedic services, the voters have approved special assessments on a number of occasions since 1983. The future cost of providing paramedic service is projected to exceed the current cap of \$75.50 per living unit.

County Service Area (CSA) 27 is a member of the Ross Valley Paramedic Joint Powers Authority, which also includes the Town of Fairfax, Kentfield Fire District, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Ross, City of Larkspur, Town of San Anselmo and Corte Madera. Your Board is requested to consider placing this matter on the November 2018 ballot since CSA 27 is a member of the RVPA.

The tax increase is proposed to cover the projected increase in paramedic service costs beginning with FY 2019-20 through FY 2022-23. The maximum possible annual tax would increase from \$75.50 to \$91.50 for each living unit, and for each 1,500 square feet of structure on each developed parcel in non-residential use. The FY 2019-2020 special tax would be set at the rate of \$79.50, with an annual projected rate increase of \$4.00 for each of the following three years, to a maximum of \$91.50 by year four.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no fiscal impact on the County general fund.

Respectfully submitted,



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