SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM 2.4 (ID # 4894)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

FROM: SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE AND SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON:

SUBJECT: SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE AND SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON:

Naming of the County of Riverside Health Education and Conference Center in

Honor of Marion and Mary Ashley, District 5 [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve the naming of the County of Riverside Health Education and Conference Center in Honor of Marion and Mary Ashley.

ACTION: Consent

Supervisor Chuck Washington

Supervisor John Tavad

7/19/2017

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington and Perez

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Abstain:

Ashley

Date:

July 25, 2017

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3rd Dist., 2nd Dist.

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Clerk of the Board

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BACKGROUND: Riverside County Supervisor Marion Ashley, born here in 1935 within a pioneering Perris Valley family, has long shown his deep commitment to the people of Riverside County by making service to the community his top priority. Marion's wife, Mary, is from the Hanifin Family and they have been married for more than 60 years, have six children, 19 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. Marion and Mary have dedicated decades of service to improve the lives of fellow Riverside County citizens. Marion attended the local schools of Perris Union High School, Riverside City College and San Diego State University as a Business Management major.

Mary Ashley was a founding board member of the Riverside University Health Foundation, which was previously known as the Riverside County Regional Medical Center Foundation Board. She has continuously served on the foundation board since 1989. She has chaired the gala committee, assisted with the annual garden tour, attends foundation board meetings, participates in fundraising campaigns and has been a personal financial supporter of the foundation for many years. This year she will be serving as the Honorary Chair of the Gala Committee for the Annual Festival of Trees Fundraiser, which is expected to raise nearly \$500,000.

Marion Ashley worked for years in the private sector as a Certified Public Accountant with a national accounting firm, corporate executive, banker as well as founder of a real estate investment firm. He decided to become more directly involved in the public sector when he served from 1973-1981 as a Riverside County Planning Commissioner and was elected to a seat on the Board of the Eastern Municipal Water District in 1992-2002.

Since Marion Ashley's election to the Riverside County Board of Supervisors in 2002, he has served for 15 years and has become a respected leader on regional issues overseeing a budget of \$5.3 billion that sets public policy for nearly 2.4 million people in what is one of the fastest growing areas in the nation. Marion concentrated his expertise in five of the most crucial issues facing California's future – jobs, transportation, water, health care and forward planning. He has also been on the forefront of expansion of conservation areas and green energy projects.

Marion Ashley is responsible for building community centers, recreational and sports parks, aquatic centers, libraries, childcare centers, fire stations, beautification projects, new Sheriff's facilities, an expansive number transportation projects from the I-215 and Highway 60 to street improvement projects throughout the 5th District, including the recently opened Perris Valley Line.

As the only Supervisor who has served as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, the Western Riverside Council of Governments and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, it shows Marion's dedication to serving the public. In addition to serving his community with an utmost distinction, his family founded and donated most of the land for the Motte Rimrock

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Reserve so that as he stated, "Mary and I want our children and our grandchildren to have the same wonderful quality of life we knew growing up here in Riverside County."

Due to their longstanding commitment and dedication to serving their community, it is with great distinction that this facility be named in their honor. The Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Executive Office and the Economic Development Agency to name the facility the Marion and Mary Ashley Health Education and Conference Center.