

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



ITEM: 2.6
(ID # 15069)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, April 20, 2021

FROM : SUPERVISOR KAREN SPIEGEL:

SUBJECT: SUPERVISOR KAREN SPIEGEL: Appointment of Kimberly Saruwatari and Edwin Gomez, Ed.D., to the Riverside County Children and Families Commission. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: The Board of Supervisors appoint Kimberly Saruwatari, Director of Public Health, and Edwin Gomez, Ed.D., Superintendent, Riverside County Office of Education to:

Committee, Commission, or Board: Riverside County Children and Families Commission (RCCFC).

Type of Nominations: At Large

Member: Name: Kimberly Saruwatari, MPH - Director of Public Health

Zip Code: 92503

Name: Edwin Gomez, Ed.D. - Superintendent, Riverside County Office of Education

Zip Code: 92501

ACTION: Consent

Karen S. Spiegel
Supervisor Karen Spiegel, Chair 4/16/2021

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Hewitt

Nays: None

Absent: None

Date: April 20, 2021

xc: BOS- Dist. 2, Commission, Appointee, COB

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board

By: *[Signature]*
Deputy

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Term of Appointment: Kimberly Saruwatari fills the vacancy left by Dr. Cameron Kaiser. Term of appointment effective May 1, 2021. Edwin Gomez, Ed.D. fills the vacancy left by Dr. Judy White. Term of appointment ratified back to December 1, 2020.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 784, Section 7. B. these appointments have no term limit.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

The Riverside County Children and Families Commission (RCCFC) was established by the Board of Supervisors in the adoption of Ordinance No. 784. The Commission implements the provisions of Proposition 10 (Health & Safety Code section 130100 et seq.) which provides tobacco tax funds to facilitate the creation and implementation of an integrated, comprehensive, and collaborative system of information and services to enhance optimal early childhood development to ensure that children are ready to enter school.

Ordinance No. 784 was last amended in October 2019 by changing the Commission structure and Commissioner criteria. In accordance with Health & Safety Code section 130140, Ordinance No. 784, Section 7. B. specifies that one member of the RCCFC "shall be from among the Health Officer or Riverside University Health System (i.e., Public Health, Behavioral Health or Medical Center and Clinics); and one member shall be from Riverside County Office of Education."

Dr. Kaiser previously served the Commission in the designated Commissioner position for the Health Office or Riverside University Health System representative. It is recommended that Kimberly Saruwatari, Director of Public Health, now be appointed to the RCCFC to serve in in the Public Health or Riverside University Health System capacity.

Dr. Judy White, Superintendent of Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) served the Commission in the RCOE position until her retirement effective November 1, 2020. Upon Dr. White's retirement, Dr. Edwin Gomez, Superintendent of RCOE was chosen by RCOE to serve on the Commission. Section 7 of Ordinance No. 784 is silent as to who or which entity makes the appointment for both of the Commissioner positions listed above. However, Section 8 of Ordinance No. 784 states that all Commission members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors. Therefore, it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors make the appointment of Kimberly Saruwatari and ratify the prior appointment of Dr. Gomez.