



**2016-12 Live Well San Diego Partnership**

**WHEREAS**, the health and well-being of citizens is of primary concern for the County of San Diego, and on July 13, 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted the *Live Well San Diego* vision, for achieving the county's vision of Building Better Health, Living Safely, and Thriving; and

**WHEREAS**, *Live Well San Diego* is the common thread between the work of public and private entities, faith-based and community-based organizations, cities, business community members, and other stakeholders toward a shared vision of a healthier, safe, and more self-sufficient communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Multicultural Health Foundation, founded in 2012 with a mission to bring health justice and wellness to the multicultural communities of San Diego County by focusing resources on the most vulnerable populations with community-based wellness strategies, social-clinical interventions, and research that will lead to the elimination of racial and ethnic health disparities; and

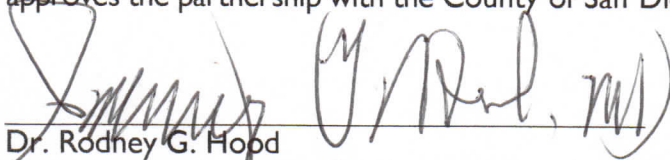
**WHEREAS**, the Multicultural Health Foundation fulfills the *Live Well San Diego* partner requirements by being the only organization in San Diego County unifying the fragmented independent physicians' sector, which makes up the largest medical safety net for indigent patients and collaborates with insurance companies, community clinics, hospitals, the public sector, philanthropists, faith-based volunteers, and most importantly, the patients themselves to advance effective health and prevention programs; and

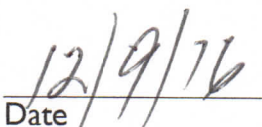
**WHEREAS**, the Multicultural Health Foundation is committed to continuing to advance *Live Well San Diego* into the future, and is embracing strategies of this initiative in ways illustrated here:

- **Building a Better Service Delivery System using its Patient Health Improvement Initiative** which empowers chronically ill patients to improve their quality of life while reducing healthcare costs
- **Supporting Positive Choices** by developing evidenced-based sustainable strategies to guide and educate multicultural residents to protect their health
- **Pursuing Policy and Environmental Change** by promoting change at the institutional level using multicultural research and policies to reinvest healthcare cost savings in eliminating ethnic and racial health disparities

**WHEREAS**, the Multicultural Health Foundation whole-heartedly supports the *Live Well San Diego* vision and will have the opportunity to collaborate with the network of *Live Well San Diego* champions and partners to achieve the greatest collective impact possible for creating and sustaining safe, healthy and thriving communities; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Multicultural Health Foundation's Board of Directors hereby approves the partnership with the County of San Diego's *Live Well San Diego* vision on Friday, December 9, 2016.

  
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Dr. Rodney G. Hood  
President and Board Chair of the Multicultural Health Foundation

  
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