



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director
Date: January 26, 2010

Subject: Recognition of Contra Costa Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Medical Director Dr. Joseph Barger as California "EMS Medical Director of the Year"

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Adopt Resolution #2010/71 commending Dr. Joseph Barger, Emergency Medical Services Medical Director, for his selection by the California Emergency Medical Services Authority as "EMS Medical Director of the Year" for 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

BACKGROUND:

In a ceremony held December 1, 2009 at the California Emergency Medical Service Commission meeting, Commission Chair Bruce Lee and State EMS Authority Director Dr. Steve Tharratt presented Contra Costa EMS Medical Director Dr. Joseph Barger with the award of "EMS Medical Director of the Year." That award was presented to Dr. Barger in recognition for his contributions to the betterment of EMS care statewide, including his service as chair of the Statewide EMS Scope of Practice Committee that advises the California EMS Authority on matters related to Emergency Medical Technician and

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/26/2010** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Gayle B. Uilkema, District II
Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III
Supervisor
Susan A. Bonilla, District IV
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: January 26, 2010

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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Paramedic scope of practice and on approval of trial studies undertaken by local EMS agencies to advance emergency medical care in the field.

Dr. Barger joined the Contra Costa Health Services in 1980

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

where he has served as an emergency physician, as Chief of Emergency, and continues to serve as a Deputy Health Officer. In 1996, Dr. Barger was appointed as Contra Costa's EMS Medical Director where he has provided continuous high quality medical leadership to the EMS program, including initiation of the County's highly successful ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) program. This EMS program helps assure that victims of serious heart attacks receive rapid intervention at a hospital with cardiac catheterization capability. Dr. Barger also serves as Medical Director for each of the County's fire first responder paramedic programs, including Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, El Cerrito Fire Department, Moraga-Orinda Fire Protection District, Pinole Fire Department, Rodeo-Hercules Fire Protection District, and San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 2010/71