

Legislation Text

## File #: 18-854, Version: 1

Adopt and present a resolution and plaque of appreciation honoring Katherine Yamamoto, Eligibility Benefits Specialist Supervisor, upon her retirement from the Department of Health & Social Services, Employment & Eligibility Services Division with over 24 years of dedicated service to Solano County (Supervisor Brown)

 Published Notice Required?
 Yes
 No
 X

 Public Hearing Required?
 Yes
 No
 X

# **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

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## SUMMARY/DISCUSSION

Katherine Yamamoto began her career with Solano County Health and Social Services on November 16, 1994 and has been a dedicated employee for over twenty-four years. Ms. Yamamoto's career began as an Eligibility Worker assigned to the Medi-Cal program. In 2002, she promoted to an Eligibility Benefits Specialist III as a Lead Worker, and in 2005 she promoted to Eligibility Benefits Specialist Supervisor.

In 2008, Ms. Yamamoto was assigned to the Benefits Action Center, which was the Department's first call center serving clients in receipt of Medi-Cal or CalFresh benefits. In 2013, Ms. Yamamoto transferred to the newly created Center for Healthcare Options and Insurance Coverage Enrollment (CHOICE) Bureau which was responsible for the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, or Health Care Reform, for residents of Solano County. For the past two years, Ms. Yamamoto has led a unit of staff who manage a specialized caseload for the elderly and disabled population.

Ms. Yamamoto is very passionate in the work that she provides, and H&SS extends sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to Solano County. H&SS congratulates her on a well-earned retirement and wishes her all the best along with continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

# FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost associated with preparing the agenda item is nominal and absorbed by the Department's FY2018/19 Approved Budget. The costs associated with preparation and purchase of the resolution materials and plaque are included in the Board's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget.

#### ALTERNATIVES:

The Board may choose not adopt this resolution and plaque of appreciation. This is not recommended as this is an opportunity to recognize Katherine Yamamoto's dedication and contributions to the County.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

There is no other agency involvement.

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# APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION