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Portney Appointed Health Services Director

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LAKE COUNTY, CA (November 30, 2021) – The Lake County Board of Supervisors is very pleased to announce the appointment of Jonathan C. Portney, MPH, CPH, as the County of Lake’s new Health Services Director.

“We are very excited to partner with Jonathan Portney to further our efforts to fight COVID-19, and promote the health and well-being of every Lake County resident,” notes Bruno Sabatier, Chair of the Lake County Board of Supervisors. “Mr. Portney is a highly motivated and energetic Health Executive that has shown great capacity in recent years as a community-based public health practitioner in San Francisco and San Mateo County.”

Since April of 2020, Portney has been actively engaged in pandemic response as Executive Director of Daly City Health Center, ensuring quality care and services in historically complex circumstances. Other recent leadership experiences have included a stint from 2018-2020 as Director of the Community Health Ambassador Program for San Francisco’s Urban Services YMCA, and a two-year term as Director of the Hospital Family Resource Center and Rural Mobile Clinic for Waterloo Adventist Hospital in Sierra Leone.

His education as a Master’s degree recipient and Doctoral candidate at the prestigious Loma Linda University in Southern California served as invaluable preparation. Emphases in Portney’s study included Health Technology and Organizational Development, Program Planning and Health Education Training Development, as well as treatment of respiratory disorders.

Portney also recognizes certain population groups are more vulnerable to adverse health outcomes, due to environmental, behavioral, social and biological factors. The diversity of contributors to people’s health is a key reason Portney emphasizes a community-focused approach to public health:

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Please join the Board of Supervisors in welcoming Jonathan Portney to Lake County! His appointment as Health Services Director is effective January 10, 2022.