



County of Santa Cruz

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AGENDA: 3/6/01

February 26, 2001

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: APPOINTMENT TO PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

I recommend the appointment of the following person to the Public Health Commission in accordance with County Code Chapter 2.76, Section 30, for a term to expire April 1, 2003:

Matt Farrell
922 Windsor Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95062
454-9763 (H)
420-5184 (B)

Sincerely,

MARDI WORMHOUDT, Supervisor
Third District

MW:ted

cc: Matt Farrell
Public Health Commission

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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO A COUNTY ADVISORY BODY

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INSTRUCTIONS:

If you are interested in serving on a County Advisory Body, please complete this application and return it to the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean Street, Room 500, Santa Cruz, CA 95060-4069. If you are interested in-being considered for appointment to more than one advisory body, a separate application must be submitted for each appointment you are seeking.

Upon receipt, your application for appointment will be routed to each Board member and then filed for further consideration by Board members when there is a vacancy on the advisory body. If a Supervisor is interested in nominating you for appointment, you will be contacted to discuss the appointment, the appointment process, and requirements for the advisory body in question.

Please specify the Commission, Committee or Board to which you are seeking appointment and provide the requested information.

Thank you for your interest in County Government.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE or BOARD: Public Health Commission

Name: Matt Farrell

Address: 922 Windsor Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Phone: (Home) 454-9763

(Business) 424-5184

Supervisory District: Third

Length of Residence in Area: 25 years

Age (Optional) : Under 21 21-30 31-40 Over 40

PREVIOUS COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE SERVICE (Please specify):

<u>Advisory Body</u>	<u>Term</u>
<u>None</u>	

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EDUCATION:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Year</u>
UCSC	Environmental Studies	2 years	No Degree

WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>
Santa Cruz City School Board		Trustee	1992-1996
American Diabetes Association		Volunteer	1991-1992
Yes on Measure E and H		Campaign Committee	1998

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:

Please attach a brief statement indicating why you are interested in serving on the advisory body in question and why you are qualified for appointment.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above information is true and correct and authorize the verification of the information in the application in the event I am a finalist for the appointment.


 Signature

2-19-01
 Date

February 23, 2001

Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

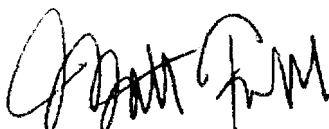
RE: Public Health Commission Application

While raised in a very Catholic family, both my parents had a strong respect for the role of science and people's need for and access to health services. Over the years, both as a public employee (18 years with the City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department) and a **community member**, I have **become increasingly convinced** that addressing disease and prevention is best done through the public health perspective. When we try to develop solutions based on individual philosophic or moral positions, we invariably **add** to the problem.

I would ~~appreciate an~~ opportunity to ~~work~~ with and ~~learn~~ from your staff and current commissioners. While serving on the Santa Cruz City School Board, I had the pleasure to work with Betsy 'McCarty, who I understand is one of the commission's resource staff. I have never been involved in a policy decision where I disagreed with Betsy's position. It would be an honor to work with her.

I am also a diabetic. As a person with a chronic disease, I constantly confront the great divide in the care we offer as a society for the insured and the uninsured. For people with chronic diseases, this directly impacts their mortality. I have great respect for the work this county has done to extend health care to the uninsured; and I would hope to have an opportunity to build on that foundation.

Thanks for your time. If appointed, I will try listen and learn before forming an opinion or position and to contribute rather than confront.



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