Standards of Conduct

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Preamble: The proper operation of democratic government requires that decision makers be independent, impartial, and accountable to the community they serve. The El Camino Healthcare District ("District") has adopted these Standards of Conduct to promote and maintain the highest standards of personal and professional behavior in the conduct of the District's business. Each District Board member is required to subscribe to these standards, understand them, apply them to his or her work as a Board member, and commit to them in writing annually. As a member of the District Board of Directors I agree to the following commitments while serving the District:

1. To place the community's best interests above my own; to positively promote the purpose of the District as stated in the Bylaws; to forego personal interests when making decisions as a Board member; to act as a fiduciary of the District in financial matters and decisions that may have material effect; and to comply with the District's Conflict of Interest Code as amended biennially.

2. To engage in lawful acts to the best of my ability and to comply with the governing documents of the District and the law.

3. To maintain a high standard of conduct that is above reproach and to avoid the appearance of impropriety.

4. To demonstrate mutual respect for my fellow Board members, and to respect decisions passed by the required number of votes of the Board. If I disagree with a vote of the Board, I will communicate with respect and behave professionally.

5. To prepare for, attend and participate thoughtfully in all meetings of the Board to the best of my ability; to allow the Chair of the meeting to do so and refrain from interrupting.

6. To communicate professionally and respectfully, whether in person, by telephone, by electronic mail or in writing, with the other Directors, community members, and District and El Camino Hospital staff.

7. To maintain confidentiality with respect to all closed session Board meeting discussions and materials.

Dedicated to improving the health and well-being of the people in our community.