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To:

Supervisor Susan Gorin
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We are residents and employees of Sonoma County writing in support of Dr. Sundari Mase, Sonoma County Health Officer. As our public health officer, Dr Mase has worked tirelessly for the well-being of Sonoma County. She has demonstrated the utmost integrity and sound decision making with the goal of keeping our community safe during an unprecedented time. Dr. Mase, time and again, has led the county in a positive direction – increasing testing percentages and vaccination rates, addressing health inequity and increasing transparency and accountability. California (213 deaths/100,000 people)has one of the lowest death rates in the USA (282 deaths/100,000), due to forward thinking health policies. Dr. Mase's leadership has led Sonoma County to achieve a 55% lower death rate (95 deaths/100,000) than the already low average California death rate!

The article published by the Press Democrat on Saturday February 20, 2022 regarding an incident that occurred 14 months ago was unbalanced and oddly timed. The DUI was a serious personal issue that Dr. Mase dealt with prior to the article being released; it is unfortunate that she's being asked to relive and apologize for this issue once again. Furthermore, comments made in the article negatively reflected on Dr. Mase's credibility, incited mistrust of her decision making and leadership, and fueled ongoing issues with anti-vaccination advocates. In light of this, we want to express our support of Dr. Mase.

We the undersigned members of the community and employees of Sonoma County give our unreserved support for Dr. Mase as Sonoma County's Public Health Officer. We urge the Board of Supervisors, County Administrator and Department of Health Services to continue to support her as we do.

Respectfully,

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