

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Supervisor Jim Holmes, District 3
Mike Boyle, Assistant County Executive

DATE: July 27, 2010

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION – Approve a Resolution posthumously commending Dr. Gordon E. Seck for 30 years of exceptional service to Placer County and 50 years of dedication to his patients and the practice of medicine.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Resolution commending Dr. Gordon E. Seck for 30 years of exceptional service to Placer County and 50 years of dedication to his patients and the practice of medicine.

BACKGROUND

Dr. Gordon E. Seck served for over 30 years as a highly respected medical doctor for Placer County and 50 years as a practicing physician. He enjoyed a long and successful career in the practice of medicine. He graduated from the University of California at Berkeley, served as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army and completed his medical internship at San Joaquin General Hospital in the Community of French Camp.

In 1960, he became a resident physician for Placer County Hospital and promoted to Chief of Staff for Placer County Hospital in 1963 where he served in that capacity until its closure in 1975. He continued his profession in Placer County serving as Director of Health and Medical Services, Physician and Surgeon, Placer County Public Health Officer, Director of Mental Health, Director of Placer County Medical Clinic and Chairman of the Placer County Fish and Game Commission.

It is envisioned that this Resolution, if approved by your Board, will be presented to Dr. Seck's wife at the dedication of a memorial monument (boulder and plaque) honoring Dr. Seck's service, on September 25, 2010. The location of this event will be adjacent to the Placer County Medical Clinic at the DeWitt Center.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

In the matter of a Resolution commending Resolution No. 2010-xxx
Dr. Gordon E. Seck for 30 years of exceptional
service to Placer County and 50 years of dedication
to his patients and the practice of medicine.

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck graduated from the University of California at Berkeley, served our country as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army, and went on to earn his medical degree from George Washington University in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck completed his medical internship at San Joaquin General Hospital in the Community of French Camp, and in 1960, became a resident physician for Placer County Hospital and served in that capacity for three years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck was elevated to Chief of Staff for Placer County Hospital in 1963 and served in that capacity until the closure of Placer County Hospital in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck further served the people of Placer County as: Director of Health and Medical Services, Physician and Surgeon, Placer County Public Health Officer, Director of Mental Health, Director of the Placer County Medical Clinic, and Chairman of the Placer County Fish and Game Commission; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck also served our community as a member of the Auburn Volunteer Fire Department, the Placer-Nevada County Medical Society, the Medical Staff of Auburn Faith Hospital, and as a family physician in private practice; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck served as President of the Health Officers Association of California and was named "Rural Doctor of the Year" in 1997 by the California Medical Association in recognition of his excellent skills as a medical doctor and for his dedication to community service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gordon E. Seck received special acknowledgement for his contribution to and joint authorship of the book: "*History of the Placer-Nevada Medical Society Centennial Edition, 1889-1989; A Hundred Years of Medical Progress*", which documented the history of medicine in Placer County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Placer County Board of Supervisors, that this monument is hereby dedicated to the memory of Dr. Gordon E. Seck, in recognition of his thirty years of exceptional service to Placer County, and further, in honor of his career of fifty years as a practicing physician, and also, as a tribute to his tireless dedication to his patients and the practice of medicine.

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