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County Board of Supervisors Names Dr. Taft Bhuket to Alameda Health Systems Board of Trustees

Oakland, Calif. — Jan. 17, 2018 —Alameda Health System, the Bay Area’s leading public health system, announced today that Dr. Taft Bhuket has been appointed to the AHS Board of Trustees, replacing Dr. Barry Zorthian who retired on Dec. 31, 2017 following her three-year term.

Bhuket, who joined Alameda Health System in 2008, is currently Chief of Gastroenterology & Hepatology and the Director of the Endoscopy Unit at Alameda Health System-Highland Hospital, and has served the organization in a variety of committee and leadership roles.

“Dr. Bhuket’s perspective as an AHS physician is extremely valuable to our board,” said Michele Lawrence, AHS board president. “In his current role, he is highly respected as a clinician and as an educator/mentor for our medical residents. He joins the board at a very important time. We are looking forward to working closely with him on our upcoming initiatives in 2018.”

Bhuket studied medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern in Dallas and completed his internal medicine residency at UT Southwestern/Parkland Hospital, and his gastroenterology fellowship at the University of Michigan where he served as Chief Fellow.

“I am honored to join the Alameda Health System Board of Trustees,” he said. “AHS is so vitally important to the health of Alameda County, and I am very proud to work here and to serve our organization’s noble mission- Caring, Healing, Teaching, Serving All. In ongoing pursuit of our mission, our patients, our employees, our trainees and our communities deserve an environment where excellence is the norm. I very much look forward to working alongside my fellow board members and administrators to support an environment for success.”

Bhuket’s term as an AHS board member will end in 2020.

About Alameda Health System

Alameda Health System, headquartered in Oakland, Calif., is a leading public health care provider and medical training institution recognized for its world-class patient and family-centered system of care. Our mission, Caring, Healing, Teaching, Serving All, reflects our commitment to promoting wellness, eliminating disparities and optimizing the health of all communities in Alameda County. We currently provide more than 4,500 jobs and are home to more than 1,100 physicians across nine facilities, including five hospitals and a network of community-based wellness centers. For more information, visit AlamedaHealthSystem.org.