FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, December 9, 2021

CONTACT:

Karina Rivera, Alameda Alliance for Health 1.510.499.3419 krivera@alamedaalliance.org



ALLIANCE BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF DONATE TO SUPERVISOR WILMA CHAN'S LEGACY FUND

In honor of longtime Board Member and community leader Supervisor Wilma Chan, Alliance Board of Governors and Staff contributed to the legacy fund in her honor.

Alameda, CA – The Alameda Alliance for Health (Alliance) Board of Governors and staff honored and celebrated the honorable Supervisor Wilma Chan today by donating \$5,000 to the Supervisor Wilma Chan Legacy Fund. This donation will support grants to community non-profits and programs serving a public purpose in support of Supervisor Chan's legacy.

Throughout her distinguished career, Supervisor Chan was a strong advocate for low-income children and families, and in 1996, she became the first Asian American elected to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, after completing a term on the Oakland Board of Education. She served as the first woman Majority Leader of the California State Assembly from 2000 to 2006 where she authored historic legislation and championed efforts to provide health care coverage for all, including carrying legislation that made affordable health insurance available to 800,000 uninsured California children.

Supervisor Chan served on the Alliance Board of Governors since 2011 and worked closely with the Alliance on efforts that reduced health disparities and improved the quality of life of Alliance members. In January 2014, Supervisor Chan launched All IN Alameda County, a multi-sector initiative that addressed issues of poverty, food insecurity, and ensuring children, youth and families have adequate supports for equitable and sustained health and wellbeing. She championed initiatives such as Recipe4Health, a program that was piloted at the Alliance and which addresses food insecurity and treats, prevents, and reverses chronic disease among our members.

"It was an honor to work alongside Supervisor Chan throughout the past decade on the Alliance Board of Governors," said CEO Scott Coffin. "She was an inspiring leader and advocate for children, seniors, and underserved members in our community. The Alliance will honor her legacy by continuing to promote initiatives and efforts that improve the health and wellbeing of our members and entire community."

The Alliance will continue to keep Supervisor Chan's family in their thoughts and find ways to honor the legacy of our colleague and dear friend. To learn more or to donate to the Supervisor Wilma Chan Legacy, please visit www.acgov.org/government/news/wilma-chan-legacy-fund.htm.

About Alameda Alliance for Health

Alameda Alliance for Health (Alliance) is a local, public, not-for-profit managed care health plan committed to making high-quality health care services accessible and affordable to Alameda County residents. Established in 1996, the Alliance was created by and for Alameda County residents. The Alliance Board of Governors, leadership staff, and provider network reflect the county's cultural and linguistic diversity. The Alliance provides health care coverage to over 294,000 low-income children and adults through National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) accredited Medi-Cal and Alliance Group Care programs.