

King County Public Hospital District No. 2

King County, Washington

Resolution No. 944-24

A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of King County Public Hospital District No. 2 Honoring:

Jeff & Merrie Tomlin

with the EvergreenHealth Board of Commissioners' 2023 Community Service Award

Annually, the EvergreenHealth Board of Commissioners honors those who have made a profound impact on enhancing our community's health with its prestigious Community Service Award. Since 1998, the Board's flagship award has celebrated those who exemplify and advance our organizational mission, vision and values.

RECITALS

- **A. Whereas,** Jeff Tomlin, MD, dedicated over three decades to serving the EvergreenHealth community and over four decades serving our country with unwavering commitment and outstanding leadership;
- **B.** Whereas, Dr. Tomlin led numerous initiatives to improve patient care, including the development of comprehensive safety and quality programs;
- **C.** Whereas, Dr. Tomlin's dedication to patient safety and quality cultivated a culture of excellence in the organization that has positioned EvergreenHealth in the top 1% of healthcare organizations for patient outcomes nationwide;
- **D. Whereas,** Dr. Tomlin's commitment to emergency preparedness, including support for staff training at FEMA's Center for Domestic Preparedness, positioned EvergreenHealth to respond swiftly to the first large community outbreak of COVID-19 in the nation;
- **E.** Whereas, organizations such as Public Health Seattle & King County (PHSKC), Washington State Hospital Association (WSHA), and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) acknowledged that the actions of EvergreenHealth staff under Dr. Tomlin's leadership resulted in the early detection of the first large community outbreak of COVID-19 in the country, which likely saved countless lives;
- **F.** Whereas, none of the above accomplishments would have been possible without the steadfast support of Merrie Tomlin, Dr. Jeff Tomlin's wife. Merrie Tomlin, a healthcare professional in her own right, along with the entire Tomlin family, made countless sacrifices that allowed all of the above to be possible;
- **G.** Whereas, Dr. Tomlin's dedication to quality and safety will undoubtedly leave an enduring legacy at EvergreenHealth that patients and staff alike will benefit from for years to come;
- **H. Whereas,** Jeff and Merrie Tomlin are lifelong residents of the District and have continuously demonstrated their commitment to the community through various forms of service and involvement;
- **I.** Whereas, the contributions of Jeff and Merrie Tomlin have inspired others within the community and healthcare industry to strive for excellence and compassion in their professional and personal lives;

RESOLUTION

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the EvergreenHealth Board of Commissioners:

- A. Bestows upon Jeff and Merrie Tomlin its 2023 Community Service Award for their steadfast commitment to EvergreenHealth and the EvergreenHealth community;
- B. Expresses its sincere appreciation to Dr. Jeff Tomlin for leading the organization with humility and fortitude during the COVID pandemic; and for his visionary leadership in advancing patient care;
- C. Extends heartfelt gratitude to Merrie Tomlin for her support and sacrifices, recognizing her integral role in the accomplishments celebrated today;
- D. Acknowledges the significant and lasting impact of the Tomlins' contributions on the health and well-being of our community and their exemplary embodiment of EvergreenHealth's values;
- E. Will forever be grateful for the many sacrifices they have made in order to care for the community we serve.

Adopted and approved by the Board of Commissioners of King County Public Hospital District No. 2 at a regular open public meeting thereof, with proper prior public notice, on the 16th day of July 2024.

Virgil I Shyder Chair/Commissioner

Jeff Cashman, Secretary/Commissioner

Charles Pilcher, MD, Commissioner

Nancy Stewart, Commissioner

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