WHEREAS, the health and well-being of citizens is of primary concern for the County of San Diego, and on July 13, 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted the Live Well San Diego vision, for achieving the county’s vision of Building Better Health, Living Safely, and Thriving; and

WHEREAS, Live Well San Diego is the common thread between the work of public and private entities, faith-based and community-based organizations, cities, business community members, and other stakeholders toward a shared vision of a healthier, safe, and more self-sufficient communities; and

WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County, is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization serving people with epilepsy and their families and caregivers throughout San Diego County since 1954. The Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County leads the fight to stop seizures, find a cure, and overcome the challenges created by epilepsy through education, advocacy and research.

WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County fulfills the Live Well San Diego partner requirements by providing programs and services which are free and available to anyone whose life is touched by epilepsy, regardless of the severity of the disability and without regard to race, creed, age, sex or nationality. Some of these services include: personal advocacy along with resource and referral, seizure first aid training for 1st responders, school personnel and businesses, Expressive Arts therapy, Support Groups, and camp. We also sponsor an annual Epilepsy Education Conference to educate both our client community and all of San Diego on issues related to epilepsy awareness, health and nutrition, healthy lifestyle choices and innovations in treatment and research.

WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County is committed to continuing to advance Live Well San Diego into the future, and is embracing strategies of this initiative in ways illustrated here:

- **Building a Better Service Delivery System** by maintaining and assessing our robust service provider listing for resource and referral to our client community and creating/strengthening partnerships with agencies to improve service quality and delivery made possible through our partnership with the SDSU School of Social Work graduate level intern program.
- **Supporting Positive Choices** by providing workshops such as our Expert Speaker Series and Annual Epilepsy Education Conference at USD to educate our community on health, wellness, and nutrition. Our agency also sponsors annual 5k walk and cycling events throughout the county to encourage physical activity throughout the year as well as through our monthly Expressive Arts Programs for kids and teens.
- **Pursuing Policy and Environmental Change** by providing resources and support to empower our clients and community members to become advocates to effect change at all levels whether it is through the school system during IEP meetings or at work to appeal for ADA Accommodations, appealing to the city to install a curb cut for wheelchair access or lobbying legislators to support pieces of legislation that affect our community such as access to medications.
- **Improving the Culture Within** by providing free epilepsy awareness and 1st aid trainings to 1st responders, school personnel, businesses, agencies and county employees along with the promotion of healthy living and positive choices to ensure the safety of all our citizens and that the community thrives as a whole.

WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County whole-heartedly supports the Live Well San Diego vision and will have the opportunity to collaborate with the network of Live Well San Diego champions and partners to achieve the greatest collective impact possible for creating and sustaining safe, healthy and thriving communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County Board of Directors hereby approves the partnership with the County of San Diego’s Live Well San Diego vision during the meeting occurring on October 20, 2016.