

CALIFORNIA MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AUTHORITY

Resolution No. 26-10

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCING MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS AND BOARD COMMITTEES PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 361

WHEREAS, the California Mental Health Services Authority (“CalMHSA”) is a local government agency subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code section 54953.8.2 as added by Senate Bill 707, CalMHSA’s Board of Directors and its committees may use teleconferencing and videoconferencing to conduct Board and committee meetings, and may do so without complying with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, one condition that would allow CalMHSA to use teleconferencing and videoconferencing to conduct Board and committee meetings, without complying with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), occurs when a meeting is held during a proclaimed state of emergency, and the Board determines, by majority vote that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2025, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency to exist due to significant wildfire impacts; and

WHEREAS, on December 24, 2025, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in in several counties due to a storm; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 24, 2025, several counties issued a proclamation of a local emergency due to significant storms; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2026, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency to exist due to significant wildfire impacts; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 21, 2026, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in anticipation of El Niño’s anticipated impacts; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 21, 2026, the Governor of California proclaimed several states of emergency to exist in several counties due to storm events; and

WHEREAS, it would be safe, beneficial and efficient for the public and for CalMHSA to use teleconferencing and videoconferencing to conduct the Board of Directors meeting without complying with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CalMHSA Board of Directors has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CalMHSA Board of Directors are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to conduct Board of Directors meetings, without complying with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3) in

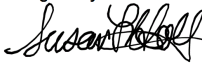
accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CalMHSA Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of: (i) 30 days from the date of the adoption of this Resolution, or (ii) such time as the Board of Directors adopts a subsequent resolution to continue to teleconference without complying with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3) in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of CalMHSA hereby ratifies and approves any and all actions taken by the Executive Director, or her designee, prior to the adoption of this resolution, to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the California Mental Health Services Authority on October 21, 2026.

Signed by:

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Susan Holt
President

ATTEST:

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Karri Eggers, CalMHSA, Chief Operations Officer