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**Mono County Bids Farewell to
Long-Serving Environmental Health Manager Louis Molina**

Jill Kearney Appointed Successor

MONO COUNTY, Calif. (June 23, 2025) – After 33 years of dedicated service to Mono County, Louis Molina, Environmental Health Manager for Mono County Public Health, will retire on June 27, 2025. The Mono County Board of Supervisors recently recognized Mr. Molina with a heartfelt proclamation, honoring his significant contributions to the health and safety of the community. Following his retirement, Jill Kearney, Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) will assume the position of Environmental Health Manager.

Mr. Molina began his journey with the Environmental Health division on July 5, 1992, and steadily rose through the ranks, becoming Director in March 2008. Throughout his distinguished career, he has been a steadfast guardian of environmental health, known for his unwavering professionalism and genuine compassion in addressing challenging issues.

His commitment to excellence touched every aspect of environmental health in Mono County, from ensuring the safety of public pools and food establishments to addressing critical concerns like bedbug complaints, improper waste disposal, protecting water systems, and managing complex hazardous materials. Molina also seamlessly coordinated with state and county agencies to prevent and investigate occurrences of hantavirus, tick-borne relapsing fever, and other vector-borne diseases, consistently prioritizing public safety. He skillfully navigated the delicate balance of regulating county facilities as a county employee, a testament to his exceptional diplomacy, fairness, and integrity.

The Mono County Board of Supervisors and the Mono County Health and Human Services Department extended their deepest gratitude in the proclamation, stating, "*Your legacy of protection, fairness, and dedication has made Mono County a healthier, safer place to live. His imprint on environmental health will continue long after his June 27, 2025 retirement date, living on in the standards he established, the mentorship he provided, and the environmental health protections he championed for over three decades.*"

The County is pleased to announce that Jill Kearney, REHS, will assume the role of Environmental Health Manager following Mr. Molina's retirement. Kearney brings a strong background to the position, holding a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Biology and Management from the University of California, Davis. She has served as a Registered Environmental Health Specialist for Mono County Environmental Health for 15 years, preceded by five years of experience with Placer County Environmental Health and time as an environmental consultant in the private sector. Mono County remains committed to upholding the highest standards of environmental health and public safety under her leadership.