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SYLMAR RESIDENT & LONGTIME PATIENT ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF NEVHC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

San Fernando, CA – Northeast Valley Health Corporation (NEVHC) is pleased to announce that Kurt Cabrera-Miller, Ph.D., is the new chairman of its Board of Directors.

Cabrera-Miller, a lifelong resident of Sylmar and a 28-year NEVHC patient, joined the board in 2013. He was the board secretary for one year prior to being elected chairman and replacing Dr. Marc A. Hoffman, who held the position for four years. This is the first time in more than 25 years that a consumer board member has assumed the role of chairman.

“I am humbled and honored by this privilege bestowed on me by my fellow board members,” said Cabrera-Miller. “I believe that NEVHC is the number one provider and administrator of community health care, and I want to ensure that it remains that way.”

For more than two decades, Cabrera-Miller, a behavioral psychologist, has been an activist for those living with HIV/AIDS. He operated the first U.S. Department of Justice sanctioned drug and alcohol community recovery home for men diagnosed with AIDS and facing prison because of

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substance abuse. He has worked extensively with individuals with autism and other behavioral challenges. Cabrera-Miller, who is retired, volunteers weekly at the Los Angeles County Jail mentoring HIV-positive inmates dealing with substance abuse. He also is a Sylmar Neighborhood Council member.

“We are very fortunate to have Kurt as our chairman,” said NEVHC CEO Kim Wyard. “He is one of our most enthusiastic supporters. I look forward to working with him.”

As chairman, Cabrera-Miller’s primary goal is to assist NEVHC in recruiting more doctors so that healthcare needs in the communities are met. He also wants to increase private funding to help augment federal support.

Since 1973, San Fernando-based NEVHC has been providing medical and dental care in communities with a known shortage of health professionals to care for local residents, including some of the most vulnerable who are medically underinsured or uninsured. Today, the nonprofit organization has 14 primary healthcare centers serving the San Fernando and Santa Clarita valleys.

As a federally funded community health center, NEVHC’s policy-setting Board of Directors is required to have 51 percent of its directors be patients of its health center. The remaining 49 percent of the members are local professionals. All members are volunteers.

Joining Cabrera-Miller on the board are Theodore G. Bradpiece, vice chairman; Maria Angie Pacheco, treasurer; Shannon Lund, secretary; and members Dr. Hoffman, Jinhee Kim, Renee Parslow, Anthony Pena, Eli Perdido and Mark Stokes.

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