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### PRESS RELEASE

#### DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TEAMS UP WITH LBGTQ CONNECTION FOR TRAINING

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Napa County District Attorney Allison Haley announced today that in coordination with LGBTQ Pride Month, the staff of the District Attorney's Office received training on fostering a healthy, diverse and inclusive community. The Napa County District Attorney's Office is committed to the pursuit of equal justice for all members of our community and to ensuring that all members feel safe. To assure success in that pursuit, the District Attorney's Office teamed up with LGBTQ Connection of Napa and Sonoma to train those who serve in the District Attorney's Office, including prosecutors, investigators, victim advocates, legal secretaries, and paralegals, in LGBTQ best practices.

District Attorney Allison Haley stated: "The Napa County DA's Office is looking for meaningful ways to be more inclusive, more accessible and more aware of how we are showing up to the LGBTQ+ community. How can we be of service? How can we be more sensitive? These are conversations worth having and our participation is long overdue."

The training was done over the course of two days and incorporated a number of different topics including a history of discrimination against the LGBTQ community, education regarding terminology, youth and senior issues in relation to trauma, and best practices when it comes to serving the LGBTQ community. Although the training was originally slated to be in-person, LGBTQ Connection quickly adapted their training so that it could be conducted via Zoom, allowing for training even during this pandemic.

The District Attorney's Office is committed to training on critical issues of equity and awareness. Within the next 90 days, we look forward to training all our staff on Race and Bias.

There is currently a window display on First Street in downtown Napa sponsored by the District Attorney's Office showing our support of Pride Month and the LGBTQ community. Any questions may be directed to Assistant District Attorney Paul Gero.