

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## OCT 11 2019

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am signing Senate Bill 228, which would require the Secretary of the Health and Human Services Agency, in coordination with the Director of the California Department of Aging (CDA), to lead the development and implementation of the Master Plan for Aging (Master Plan), as established by Executive Order N-14-19, and codifies the inclusion of stakeholder representation and input. CDA must also submit a report by October 1, 2020, identifying ways to improve the department's organization and structure in order to effectively implement and administer the Master Plan, and provide annual updates through October 1, 2030.

SB 228 is complementary to the work underway to implement strategies and partnerships that promote healthy aging, as described in the Executive Order. Thoughtful reconsideration of CDA's organization will enhance the value it adds to this endeavor.

Sincerely,