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I remember my first month in 1979 with San Francisco Home Health as the Nutritionist with the 30th Street Senior Center. Hadley was the Executive Director for the whole agency. He would walk through the dining room as often as possible, and inquire about “the parsley on the plate and fresh flowers on the tables.”

To Hadley, it was ALL important; from the dining room experience to the consumer-centered, compassionate continuum of care including the Senior Center and Lifeways programs. Attention to the details that make people feel cared for is another part of Hadley’s legacy.

As 30th Street Senior Center celebrates its 35th Anniversary, I am deeply grateful to and for Hadley; for his vision, leadership, inspiration, mentoring and the support I have received through the many hours of lunch and telephone conversations over the years.

*Valorie Villela, Director, 30th Street Senior Center*

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