[Supporting California State Proposition 55 - California Tax Extension to Fund Education and Healthcare Initiative]

Resolution supporting all efforts by the California State Legislature and Governor on Proposition 55, to extend funding for State Education and Healthcare Initiatives, which would prolong the temporary personal income tax increases approved in 2012 on incomes over \$250,000.

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is committed to making policy and financial decisions that enable the San Francisco Unified School District to provide quality educational programs and services to the school-age children of our community; and

WHEREAS, During the recent recession, the state cut more than \$56 billion from education, healthcare and other critical services; and public schools statewide experienced unprecedented funding reductions and apportionment deferrals; and

WHEREAS, During the Great Recession California schools lost more than 30,000 certificated employees, and thousands of classified employees, to layoffs due to revenue losses; and

WHEREAS, California public schools rank 42nd out of the 50 states in per-pupil spending; California public schools are the most crowded in the nation; and California provides fewer guidance counselors and librarians per student than any other state in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Many of California's schoolchildren come from low-income families that lack access to the health care services needed to keep those children in school and learning; and

WHEREAS, Passage of Proposition 30 in 2012 helped increase state revenues, providing a significant boost to California's K-12 school spending and sending funds directly to school districts through the Education Protection Account; and

WHEREAS, Many of the lost personnel and programs have been restored through Proposition 30; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 30 has made an enormous difference between the massive layoffs and program cuts in public education suffered between 2008-2011, and the growth of funding and restoration of programs since its passage in 2012; and

WHEREAS, The revenues from Proposition 30 will decline after 2016 and will disappear completely after 2018, the last year its provisions will be in effect; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 55 would extend Proposition 30's temporary income tax rates for an additional 12 years, to continue funding the Education Protection Account and boost spending on health care for low income families; and

WHEREAS, Unless Californians extend Proposition 30's temporary tax increases, the state's schools most likely will receive relatively fewer dollars in the years ahead, raising the prospect that California's school spending will fall even further behind the nation; now, therefore, be it

WHEREAS, If Proposition 30 revenues are all allowed to expire, even in a recovering economy the loss of funding support for public education will likely return schools and colleges to pre-Proposition 30 conditions, forcing layoffs, furloughs, pay cuts and program cuts once more; and

WHEREAS, The Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016 would extend the temporary income tax on wealthy Californians for an additional twelve years, while allowing the sales tax provisions of Proposition 30 to expire, making this extension of

Proposition 30 revenues a purely progressive tax, paid for by taxpayers well able to continue to afford the modest increase, while benefiting all of public education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That that City and County of San Francisco hereby includes its support of the State of California Legislators and Governor to extend funding for State Education and Healthcare Initiatives which would maintain the temporary personal income tax increases approved in 2012 on incomes over \$250,000.



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Resolution

File Number: 160902 Date Passed: September 06, 2016 Resolution supporting all efforts by the California State Legislature and Governor on Proposition 55, to extend funding for State Education and Healthcare Initiatives, which would prolong the temporary personal income tax increases approved in 2012 on incomes over \$250,000. September 06, 2016 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee File No. 160902 I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/6/2016 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco. Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board Unsigned 9/16/16 Mayor **Date Approved** I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board