

1 [Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Sunset Healthcare Corridor" - 1200 Block to
2 2500 Block of Noriega Street]

3 **Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Sunset Healthcare Corridor" to**
4 **Noriega Street between 19th Avenue and 33rd Avenue, in recognition of the**
5 **concentration of medical, dental, optometric, pharmacy, and wellness providers that**
6 **have served the Sunset District along this corridor for decades, and in support of**
7 **continued access to affordable, culturally competent care for Sunset residents.**

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9 WHEREAS, The Sunset District has long been among the areas of San Francisco least
10 served by hospitals, urgent care, and major healthcare systems, with residents historically
11 traveling outside the neighborhood for many forms of medical care; and

12 WHEREAS, Notwithstanding these gaps, Noriega Street between 19th Avenue and
13 33rd Avenue has become the Sunset District's most concentrated corridor of community
14 healthcare, with a dense mix of primary care, specialty medicine, dental and orthodontic
15 practices, optometry, neighborhood pharmacies, and other health and wellness providers
16 serving residents close to home; and

17 WHEREAS, Chinese Hospital Sunset Health Services, established over 30 years ago
18 as Chinese Hospital's first satellite clinic, was created to follow the community's migration
19 from Chinatown to the Sunset District and to ensure continued access to trusted, culturally
20 and linguistically appropriate healthcare for local residents; and

21 WHEREAS, Sunset Health Services has served more than 4,200 monolingual and
22 low-income patients by providing comprehensive primary and specialty care, including family
23 medicine, Geriatrics, ENT, Podiatry, Cardiovascular Disease, and mental health services,
24 and, as it celebrates 30 years of service, continues its commitment to meeting the evolving
25 healthcare needs of the Sunset community.

1 WHEREAS, North East Medical Services (NEMS), a nonprofit community health center
2 and one of the largest health centers serving Asian Americans in the United States, anchors
3 this corridor through its clinics on Noriega Street, offering internal medicine, family practice,
4 pediatrics, women's health, dental, optometry, behavioral health, laboratory, radiology, and
5 pharmacy services; and

6 WHEREAS, For more than 40 years, NEMS has provided affordable, linguistically and
7 culturally competent care on a sliding-scale basis to low-income, uninsured, underinsured,
8 and immigrant residents, with services available in Cantonese, Mandarin, Taiwanese,
9 Vietnamese, and English, meeting the needs of the Sunset District's large Chinese American
10 and Asian immigrant communities; and

11 WHEREAS, Alongside Chinese Hospital and NEMS, the corridor is home to additional
12 primary care and specialty practices, including Grace Pacific Medical Group and AstranaCare,
13 together with a concentration of general, pediatric, and cosmetic dental practices, orthodontic
14 and optometric providers, neighborhood and clinic pharmacies, and long-established wellness
15 practices, collectively offering Sunset residents comprehensive care within walking distance;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, This concentration of providers delivers care in the languages and cultural
18 contexts of the neighborhood's residents, making the corridor a vital point of access for
19 families who might otherwise face significant barriers to medical, dental, and behavioral health
20 services; and

21 WHEREAS, Members of the local medical community who have served Asian
22 American patients across San Francisco have proposed recognizing this stretch of Noriega
23 Street as a dedicated healthcare corridor, to honor the providers who serve the neighborhood
24 and to encourage additional health services to locate there; and

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1 WHEREAS, Designating the "Sunset Healthcare Corridor" recognizes the providers,
2 clinicians, and staff who have made quality healthcare accessible to Sunset District residents,
3 and affirms the City's commitment to expanding healthcare access on the Westside; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby designates the Commemorative
6 Street Name "Sunset Healthcare Corridor" at the intersection of Noriega Street and 22nd
7 Avenue, pursuant to Public Works Code, Section 789 et seq.; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests that the San
9 Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency ("SFMTA") fabricate and install commemorative
10 street signs reading "Sunset Healthcare Corridor" to be hung in conjunction with the existing
11 "Noriega St" signage along the designated segment; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Public Works is directed to add the
13 commemorative street name to its official list of Commemorative Street Names in accordance
14 with Public Works Code, Section 789 et seq.; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors expresses its support for the
16 continued growth of accessible, affordable, and culturally competent healthcare services
17 along the Sunset Healthcare Corridor, and encourages City departments to support efforts to
18 attract and retain healthcare providers in the Sunset District.

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