

1 [Policy Priorities of the Bay Area Latino Health Summit]

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3 RESOLUTION URGING THE SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER
4 THE POLICY PRIORITIES ARISING OUT OF THE FIRST ANNUAL BAY AREA LATINO
5 HEALTH SUMMIT AND TO INTEGRATE THESE PRIORITIES WHERE APPLICABLE INTO
6 THE CITY'S HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM.

7 WHEREAS, The first annual Bay Area Latino Health Summit was held
8 on December 6, 2000 at the California State Building and consisted of
9 health professionals, advocates and service providers; and,

10 WHEREAS, The concentration of this summit focused on five areas:
11 physical health, behavioral health, housing, cultural competency and
12 access to health care; and,

13 WHEREAS, HIV/AIDS, diabetes, cancer and diabetes were identified
14 as important areas within physical health specifically because of the
15 disparities in education and treatment that exist between Latinos and
16 the general population in the level of care; and,

17 WHEREAS, It is essential to strengthen the safety net and
18 increase the level of community clinic providers and public service
19 providers within each Bay Area county so as to maximize the amount of
20 health care providers and ensure services for prevention and early
21 diagnosis for physical health issues that disproportionately affect
22 Latinos; and,

23 WHEREAS, Mental health, domestic violence/family injustice and
24 substance use were areas of behavioral health that were the focus of
25 the summit; and,

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1 WHEREAS, There was a call to develop new models for service
2 delivery and case management that do not stigmatize the individual,
3 is family-focused, and is integrated, such as partnerships between
4 schools, community clinics, private health care plans, local public
5 agencies, housing authorities and law enforcement agencies; and,

6 WHEREAS, It is critical to develop a directory of Latino
7 behavioral health providers and services that address the language,
8 immigration and culturally-appropriate needs of the Latino community
9 and that includes community education and outreach components to get
10 critical information into the hands of the community as well as
11 service providers; and,

12 WHEREAS, Local officials should conduct an audit of the current
13 housing stock within the Bay Area in order to ascertain the level of
14 unsafe, overcrowded, and dangerous living conditions in order to
15 improve the housing situation and further to develop stable housing
16 that meets the needs of special populations such as immigrant
17 populations, the homeless, and those with mental and physical health
18 issues such as HIV/AIDS; and,

19 WHEREAS, Latinos make up the largest group of uninsured people
20 throughout the state, with more than half of all Latinos being
21 chronically uninsured and, although the majority of Latinos are
22 employed, many do not receive employer-sponsored insurance as they
23 work in seasonal, part time or low wage jobs; and,

24 WHEREAS, The Bay Area should provide universal health care
25 coverage through a seamless system of delivery whereby all people

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1 will be eligible through a single point of entry process and increase
2 community health education in the Latino community by developing a
3 community health worker (*promotor/promotora*) program that addresses
4 the specific cultural and linguistic needs of the Latino community;
5 now, so therefore be,

6 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors is urged
7 to consider the policy priorities of the Bay Area Health Summit,
8 principal among them addressing physical health, behavioral health,
9 housing, cultural competency, access to health care needs of the
10 Latino community and to integrate these priorities where applicable
11 into the City's health care delivery system.

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Resolution urging the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to consider the policy priorities arising out of the First Annual Bay Area Latino Health Summit and to integrate these priorities where applicable into the City's health care delivery system.

January 2, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 2, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.