

1 [Calling on Congress to pass meaningful healthcare reform that promotes a holistic approach
2 to women's health, including access to reproductive choice for all and a robust public option]

3 **Resolution calling on Congress to pass meaningful healthcare reform that promotes a**
4 **holistic approach to women's health with access to reproductive choice for all and a**
5 **robust public option; opposing the Stupak-Ellsworth-Pitts Amendment and an**
6 **amendment proposed by Senator Ben Nelson that would limit reproductive choice;**
7 **supporting a strong public option like that proposed by Senator John D. Rockefeller or**
8 **Representative Raul Grijalva; urging the United States Senate to pass meaningful**
9 **healthcare reform that ensures access to health services, including reproductive**
10 **health; urging the US Senate to continue opposing the inclusion of anti-choice**
11 **language in health care reform; encouraging conferees to remove the Stupak**
12 **amendment and include a robust public option; and commending members of the**
13 **California congressional delegation who supported a robust public option and**
14 **opposed the restrictions on reproductive choice.**

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17 WHEREAS, The United States Senate is currently debating comprehensive healthcare
18 reform; and

19 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors adopted File # 090968 in support
20 of President Obama's healthcare principles including a robust public option; and,

21 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors has passed many resolutions
22 supporting access to reproductive choice, including File #050019 which urged all legal
23 authorities to fully facilitate the protection of the right of women to control their reproductive
24 health.
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1 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives passed legislation to enact healthcare
2 reform, HR 3962, that included a public option but also an amendment by Representative Bart
3 Stupak of Michigan that limits reproductive choice in that public option and an insurance
4 "exchange" and would deny millions of American women access to reproductive health
5 services; and,

6 WHEREAS, The United States Senate now has an opportunity to pass meaningful
7 healthcare reform that ensures women's reproductive health; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco supports meaningful
9 healthcare reform that promotes a holistic approach to women's health that includes access to
10 reproductive choice for all and a robust public option; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco opposes the
12 Stupak-Pitts-Ellsworth Amendment and an amendment proposed by Senator Ben Nelson and
13 calls on the United States Senate to pass healthcare reform that protects a woman's right to
14 access reproductive health services, including abortion; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco supports a robust
16 public option like that proposed by ~~Senator John D. Rockefeller or Representative Raul~~
17 Grijalva, so everyone has access to adequate healthcare including reproductive choice; and
18 be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges the House
20 and Senate to protect those who already have coverage from paying the cost of insuring the
21 uninsured via taxes on fully insured health plans, excise taxes on health insurance premiums,
22 pharmaceuticals, durable medical equipment and medical devices and by limiting
23 contributions to flex spending accounts for medical expenses to \$2,500 per year; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges the House
25 and Senate to remove anti-trust exemptions for health insurance and medical malpractice

1 insurance companies, and to prohibit "age rating" which allows insurers to discriminate based
2 on age in insurance pricing; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges the House
4 and Senate to include the Community Living and Supporting Services (CLASS) program a
5 voluntary home and community based services as an alternative to institutionalization; and be
6 it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges the House
8 and Senate to maintain adequate funding for Disproportionate Share Hospitals (DSH) and
9 increased funding for the Federal Medical Assistance Program (FMAP) for the addition of
10 uninsured people below 150% of federal poverty to Medicaid; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges House and
12 Senate conferees to remove the Stupak amendment and include a robust public option; and,
13 be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That City and County of San Francisco commends members
15 of the California congressional delegation who opposed the Stupak amendment or Senator
16 Nelson's amendment and supported a robust public option.



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Resolution

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File Number: 091463

Date Passed: January 12, 2010

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January 05, 2010 Board of Supervisors - CONTINUED

Ayes: 8 - Campos, Chiu, Chu, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

Excused: 3 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos and Daly

January 12, 2010 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

January 12, 2010 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

File No. 091463

I hereby certify that the foregoing
Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on
1/12/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the
City and County of San Francisco.



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board



Mayor Gavin Newsom

1-22-10

Date Approved