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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Grant Colfax, Director, Department of Public Health

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Management

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Joint City, School District, and City College

Select Committee

DATE: February 2, 2021

SUBJECT: HEARING MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Joint City, School District, and City College Select Committee has received the following hearing request, introduced by Supervisor Ronen on January 25, 2021:

File No. 210097

Hearing on the City's plans to vaccinate educators and school site workers in San Francisco with San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD), health providers, and other education stakeholder groups; and requesting the Department of Public Health, SFUSD, United Educators of San Francisco, Board of Education, and Department of Emergency Management to report.

If you have any comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Greg Wagner, Department of Public Health
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Education workers are among the essential workers who have been prioritized by Governor Newsom and the California Department of Public Health to receive access to the vaccine following health care settings and once there is adequate supply.

Providing vaccines to all school site personnel, including teachers, paraeducators, janitors, counselors, librarians, nurses, and other school support staff, will be critical to our ability to safely reopen schools as soon as possible and get our students, our families, and our society back on track.

To date, there has not been a concrete plan developed in San Francisco to operationalize vaccination for educators and school staff. Educators, like most other essential workers, will likely be expected to advocate for themselves and work through their providers to try to obtain a vaccine. However, with a workforce of less than 10,000, the City, SFUSD, and local health providers could work together on a strategic and targeted effort to vaccinate the entire public school workforce over the course of a few days, once there is sufficient vaccine supply available.

I am calling a hearing to discuss the City's plans to vaccinate educators in San Francisco in partnership with SFUSD, health providers, and other education stakeholder groups.

I am directing the Clerk of the Board to invite the Department of Public Health, the School District, the United Educators of San Francisco, School Board members, and the Department of Emergency Management to attend.