

1 [Business Coalition for Benefits Tax Equity]

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**Resolution supporting repealing the taxation of domestic partner health insurance benefits and joining the business coalition for benefits tax equity.**

WHEREAS, The Business Coalition for Benefits Tax Equity (Coalition) is a group of employers that support eliminating the federal tax inequities that result when employers voluntarily provide health coverage to the domestic partners of their employees and retirees; and

WHEREAS, A large portion of the membership of the Health Service System is affected by such federal tax inequities; and

WHEREAS, As set forth in Section 12.200(1) of the Charter, the Health Service Board is charged with providing benefits “without special favor or privilege”; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to such mandate and in accordance with fundamental principles of nondiscrimination and fairness, the Board of Supervisors opposes such federal tax inequities; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors desires to support repealing the taxation of domestic partner health insurance benefits and to join the Coalition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby provides its support to repealing the taxation of domestic partner health insurance benefits and agrees to join the Coalition.