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5 WHEREAS, RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS work with the physicians, nurse,  
6 and other health care providers as a team to provide the best possible respiratory health care  
7 to the citizens of the City and County of San Francisco; and

8 WHEREAS, RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS serve the people in the City and  
9 County of San Francisco in all of the hospitals in the City, providing acute care in all critical  
10 care units for adults, pediatric patients, newborns, and for acute trauma patients, and  
11 providing care for patients with asthma, emphysema and other respiratory conditions; and

12 WHEREAS, RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS perform diagnostic procedures  
13 under the direction of the physician to identify pulmonary illness, provide respiratory care for  
14 patients in their homes, and provide rehabilitation services for patients who have had lung  
15 transplants, pneumonia and other serious respiratory problems; and

16 WHEREAS, RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS are involved in Critical Care in  
17 Emergency Rooms, performing advanced Advance Life Support as part of the Trauma Team  
18 and providing continuous care for patients who are on ventilator support in the critical care  
19 areas; and

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1           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby commends  
2   Respiratory Care Practitioners for their contributions to medical services in the City and  
3   County of San Francisco and recognizes October 21-27 as Respiratory Care Week in San  
4   Francisco.

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