

1 [Opposing Closure of Mount Zion Hospital]

2 **OPPOSING THE CLOSURE OF MOUNT ZION HOSPITAL AND ANY REDUCTION IN**
3 **SERVICES AND STAFF AND FURTHER PLEDGING APPROPRIATE AND NECESSARY**
4 **RESOURCES TO EXPEDITE THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE AND OPERATION OF MOUNT**
5 **ZION HOSPITAL AND FURTHER ENCOURAGING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UCSF-**
6 **STANFORD AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA REGENTS TO KEEP MOUNT ZION**
7 **OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE TO RESIDENTS OF THE WESTERN ADDITION AND**
8 **RICHMOND NEIGHBORHOODS AND FURTHER ENCOURAGING THE EFFORTS OF THE**
9 **EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UCSF-STANFORD AND THE UC REGENTS TO REASSESS**
10 **FISCAL STRUCTURE OF THE MERGER CONSIDER THE RETURN OF FORMERLY**
11 **PUBLIC ASSETS BACK TO THE PEOPLE OF SAN FRANCISCO.**

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13 WHEREAS, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, a public teaching
14 hospital merged with Stanford Hospital, a private hospital, on November 1, 1997 and created
15 a new private not-for-profit entity called UCSF Stanford Health Center; and

16 WHEREAS, prior to the merger of November 1997, the world renowned University of
17 California, San Francisco Medical Center was a fiscally sound, revenue generating teaching
18 hospital with the highest academic standards; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition to hundreds of millions of dollars in public assets being
20 transferred from UCSF to UCSF Stanford and the lost of public oversight of these public
21 assets, UCSF Stanford Health Care has now just reported a first quarter \$10.7 million dollar
22 operating deficit; a projected \$170 million deficit over the next two years, and the laying off of
23 over 2,000 full time employees who are primarily minorities; and

24 WHEREAS, In order to offset the budget deficit, UCSF-Stanford has proposed to close
25 Mount Zion hospital which accounts for \$56 million of UCSF-Stanford's budget deficit; and

Supervisors Ammiano, Bierman, Katz, Leno

1 WHEREAS, However, over half a billion dollars is available in UCSF-Stanford's
2 reserves which contradicts the accuracy and existence of the deficit in question, ; and

3 WHEREAS, Of the 15,000 patients that the 365 bed Mount Zion Hospital sees
4 annually, 40% are Western Addition residents and 33% are Russian and Russian-Jewish; and

5 WHEREAS, The closure of Mount Zion's Emergency Room, Operating Room and In
6 Patient Services would force primarily indigent patients as well as low-income minority and
7 immigrant residents of the Western Addition and Richmond neighborhoods to travel across
8 town San Francisco General Hospital or Saint Luke's Hospital for medical and emergency
9 medical services; and

10 WHEREAS, The rumors of closure of Mount Zion has also negatively affected staff
11 morale from janitors to doctors, from administrative staff to nurses; and

12 WHEREAS, The closure also undermines the academic mission of UCSF and
13 threatens UCSF's status a world renown medical university of the highest academic standards
14 that is committed to matriculating medical experts of the highest caliber; and

15 WHEREAS, Despite the decision of executive Boards of both UCSF and Stanford
16 Hospitals, as well the Regents of the University of California to reassess the merger, millions
17 of dollars are still being spent on merging the data systems of both institutions; now, therefore,
18 be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
20 strongly opposes the closure of Mount Zion Hospital; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors strongly opposes any
22 reduction in services and staff; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors will pledge the appropriate
24 and necessary resources to expedite the continued existence and operation of Mount Zion
25 Hospital; and

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors encourages the executive
2 Board of UCSF-Stanford and the UC Regents to keep Mount Zion open and accessible to
3 residents of the Western Addition and Richmond neighborhoods; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors encourages the executive
5 Board of UCSF-Stanford and the UC Regents to reassess fiscal structure of the merger and
6 consider returning of formerly public assets back to the people of San Francisco.
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Resolution

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Resolution opposing the closure of Mount Zion Hospital and any reduction in services and staff and further pledging appropriate and necessary resources to expedite the continued existence and operation of Mount Zion Hospital and further encouraging the Executive Board of UCSF-Stanford and the University of California Regents to keep Mount Zion open and accessible to residents of the Western Addition and Richmond neighborhoods and further encouraging the efforts of the Executive Board of UCSF-Stanford and the UC Regents to reassess fiscal structure of the merger consider the return of formerly public assets back to the people of San Francisco.

August 16, 1999 Board of Supervisors — SEVERED FROM FOR ADOPTION WITHOUT COMMITTEE REFERENCE AGENDA

August 16, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Teng

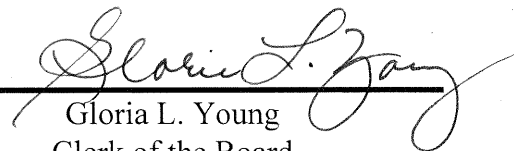
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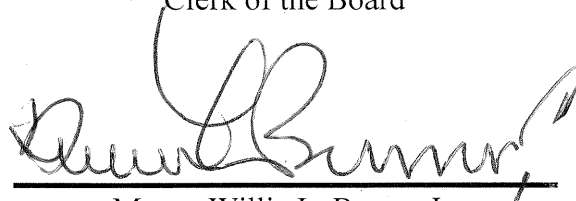
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 16, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.