

1 [Preserving the California Mental Health Services Act]

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3 **Resolution urging Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to sustain the state's**
4 **commitment to mental health funding and preserve Proposition 63 monies for its**
5 **intended purpose.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Governor of California Arnold Schwarzenegger seeks voter approval
8 to allow Proposition 63 funds to be used in lieu of General Fund dollars to cover mental
9 health managed care costs rather than to expand services; and

10 WHEREAS, Proposition 63 (known as the Mental Health Services Act or MHSA)
11 passed in November 2004 provides the first opportunity in many years for the California
12 Department of Mental Health to provide increased funding, personnel and other resources to
13 support county mental health programs and monitor progress toward statewide goals for
14 children, transition age youth, adults, older adults and families; and,

15 WHEREAS, Proposition 63 addresses a broad continuum of prevention, early
16 intervention and service needs and the necessary infrastructure, technology and training
17 elements that will effectively support this system; and,

18 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health (SPDPH) has utilized
19 Proposition 63 dollars to provide stabilization housing for the homeless; and Community
20 Behavioral Health Services has utilized \$6,143,191 in fiscal year 2006-2007 and has applied
21 for an additional \$12,032,304 towards Peer Advocacy and Outreach programs, Transition
22 Age Youth, Seniors, Violence and Trauma Recovery, Vocational Rehabilitation, Wellness
23 Center, Residential Treatment for Dually Diagnosed Clients not Eligible for MediCal; and now,
24 therefore be it

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1 RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors urges Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to
2 sustain the state's commitment to mental health funding and preserve Proposition 63 monies
3 for its intended purpose.

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