

1 [Mission of Laguna Honda Hospital.]

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3 **Resolution urging the Executive Staff of Laguna Honda Hospital to amend the recently**  
4 **revised mission of LHH to include “long term care” as one of the goals of the hospital,**  
5 **and to publicly consult with the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors before any**  
6 **additional changes are made to either the mission or the admissions policy of Laguna**  
7 **Honda Hospital.**

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9 WHEREAS, Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center is licensed by the  
10 California Department of Health Services as a general acute care hospital, distinct part skilled  
11 nursing and rehabilitation center; and,

12 WHEREAS, During a recent series of retreats with the Executive Staff of Laguna  
13 Honda Hospital along with input from the Health Commission and the Director of the  
14 Department of Public Health, the mission of Laguna Honda Hospital was amended by  
15 eliminating the phrase “long term care” and replacing this phrase with “skilled nursing  
16 services;” and,

17 WHEREAS, This change in the mission statement was designed to accurately reflect  
18 how Laguna Honda Hospital is licensed by the California Department of Health Services; and,

19 WHEREAS, This change, however, ignores the long standing and well accepted  
20 practice that Laguna Honda Hospital is also a long term care facility for those San  
21 Franciscans most in need; and,

22 WHEREAS, In addition to the change in the mission, the admissions policy for Laguna  
23 Honda Hospital was changed in March 2004 by the Director of the Department of Public  
24 Health, and subsequently reversed back to the previous policy on February 17, 2005; now,  
25 therefore be it

1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Executive Staff of Laguna Honda  
2 Hospital to amend the recently revised mission of LHH to include “long term care” as one of  
3 the goals of the hospital; and, be it

4           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Director of the  
5 Department of Public Health to publicly consult with the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors  
6 before it makes any future changes to the mission and the admissions policy of Laguna  
7 Honda Hospital.

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