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June 25, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1021 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 328-24

Dear Governor Newsom:

On June 4, 2024, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 328-24 (Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1975 (Bonta) - Medi-Cal: Medically Supportive Food and Nutrition Interventions), which was enacted on June 13, 2024.

The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

• One copy of Resolution No. 328-24 (File No. 240564)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: <u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>.

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City and County of San Francisco Tails Resolution

City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

File Number: 240564

Date Passed: June 04, 2024

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June 04, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

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London N. Breed Mayor 06-14-2024

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June 25, 2024

The Honorable Joaquin Arambula California State Assembly Member California State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0031

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 328-24

Dear Assembly Member Arambula:

On June 4, 2024, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 328-24 (Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1975 (Bonta) - Medi-Cal: Medically Supportive Food and Nutrition Interventions), which was enacted on June 13, 2024.

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June 25, 2024

The Honorable Isaac Bryan California State Assembly Member California State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0055

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 328-24

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June 25, 2024

The Honorable Mike Gipson California State Assembly Member California State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0065

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June 25, 2024

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Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 328-24

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June 25, 2024

Paul Yoder Karen Lange Erica Smith Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange 1415 L Street, Suite 1000 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 328-24

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The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

• One copy of Resolution No. 328-24 (File No. 240564)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: <u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>.

Sincerely,

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