

1 [Urging Publication of Additional Data Sets]

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3 **Resolution urging the disclosure of additional data sets related to the well-being of**
4 **homeless San Franciscans and residents of Single Room Occupancy hotels, the**
5 **number and occupancy of available hotel rooms, the geographic origin of confirmed**
6 **positive COVID-19 cases, and the date of COVID-19 test specimen collection; and**
7 **commending the interdepartmental collaboration which resulted in the publication of**
8 **the San Francisco COVID-19 Data Tracker.**

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10 WHEREAS, On April 7, 2020, the City and County of San Francisco published the San
11 Francisco COVID-19 Data Tracker (the “Data Tracker”); and

12 WHEREAS, The Data Tracker was the product of interagency collaboration between
13 the Office of the Mayor, the Department of Public Health, the County Health Officer, the City
14 Controller, the City Administrator and subsidiary offices, and individual members of the Board
15 of Supervisors, among others; and

16 WHEREAS, As of the introduction of this Resolution, the Data Tracker has been
17 viewed over 300,000 times since its date of publication; and

18 WHEREAS, As of the introduction of this Resolution, the Data Tracker includes the
19 following categories of information:

- 20 • The total number of COVID-19 test results reported;
- 21 • The total number of COVID-19 positive cases reported;
- 22 • The total number of deaths from COVID-19;
- 23 • The gender distribution of positive cases;
- 24 • The race and ethnicity distribution of positive cases;
- 25 • The age group distribution of positive cases;

- 1 • The number of hospitalizations related to COVID-19, including patient counts by bed
2 type (Acute Care or ICU) for confirmed and suspected cases; and
- 3 • Hospital capacity, including the numbers of Acute Care, Acute Care Surge, ICU and
4 ICU Surge beds available; and

5 WHEREAS, Previously, the City and County of San Francisco had only provided daily
6 updates of the number of confirmed positive COVID-19 cases and the number of COVID-19-
7 related deaths; and

8 WHEREAS, With publication of the Data Tracker, San Francisco joins other Bay Area
9 counties in publishing open data sets and interactive data visualizations that provide the
10 media, data analysts, and members of the public with a greater understanding of the impact of
11 COVID-19 on the general public and, in particular, some vulnerable communities; and

12 WHEREAS, The Data Tracker provides a critical window into the City and County of
13 San Francisco's response to COVID-19, while bolstering the case for San Francisco's
14 leadership among other jurisdictions responding to the emergency; and

15 WHEREAS, While a big step forward, the Data Tracker still lacks other available data
16 sets that would provide additional insight into the impact of COVID-19 on San Francisco's
17 most vulnerable residents, including those experiencing homelessness and residents of
18 Single Room Occupancy residential hotels; and

19 WHEREAS, The Data Tracker will continue to be relevant as the City and County of
20 San Francisco and California begin the protracted process over the next year and beyond of
21 recovering from the emergency and returning to life as normal; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the interagency collaboration
23 that contributed to the publication of the San Francisco COVID-19 Data Tracker; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges that the following data
25 sets also be included in the Data Tracker:

- 1 • The neighborhood origin of confirmed COVID-19 cases, in whatever discernible
2 geographic indicator that City officials deem appropriate (e.g., zip code, census tract,
3 Department of Elections neighborhood);
- 4 • The total number of homeless individuals residing in the City’s homeless shelter
5 network, the total number of tests administered, the number of Patients Under
6 Investigation (“PUIs”) and the number of confirmed positive COVID-19 cases among
7 this vulnerable population;
- 8 • The number of PUIs and confirmed positive COVID-19 cases among individuals living
9 in Single Room Occupancy housing, including the number and location of SRO
10 buildings where cases have been confirmed;
- 11 • The overall capacity of hotel rooms that have been commandeered or are otherwise
12 available to provide shelter, including the number of occupants being sheltered in those
13 rooms distinguished by occupant type (e.g., first responders, people experiencing
14 homelessness); and
- 15 • The date of specimen collection for each test administered; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, In so urging the disclosure of these additional data sets, the
17 Board of Supervisors is mindful of privacy restrictions on the release of certain data sets and
18 urges compliance with all local, state and federal laws protecting individual privacy rights of
19 San Francisco’s residents and visitors; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors urges that the acquisition or use of
21 any other technology or data set during the term of the Declaration of Emergency or
22 throughout the recovery period - including geo-location data and contact tracing - be subject
23 to relevant portions of the City’s Privacy First Policy and Chapter 19B of the San Francisco
24 Administrative Code.

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