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April 9, 2026

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

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 142-26

Dear Governor Newsom:

On March 10, 2026, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 142-26 (Urging Protection of Medi-Cal Dental Funding for California Children), which was enacted on March 20, 2026.

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

- One copy of Resolution No. 142-26 (File No. 260224)

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: board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org.

Sincerely,


+ Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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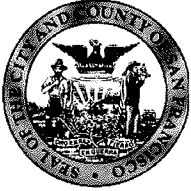
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California State Senator
Senate President Pro Tempore
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1020 O Street, Suite 8518
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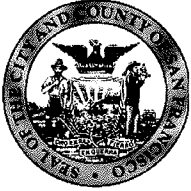
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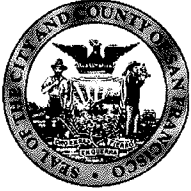
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The Honorable Scott Wiener
California State Senator
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1021 O Street, Suite 8620
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

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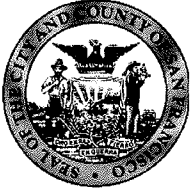
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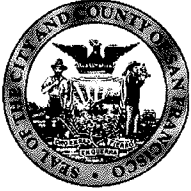
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Mayor

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

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April 9, 2026

The Honorable Catherine Stefani
California State Assembly Member
California State Capitol
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0019

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 142-26

Dear Assembly Member Stefani:

On March 10, 2026, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 142-26 (Urging Protection of Medi-Cal Dental Funding for California Children), which was enacted on March 20, 2026.

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

- One copy of Resolution No. 142-26 (File No. 260224)

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: board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org.

Sincerely,


f Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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- c. Members of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisors Alan Wong, Jackie Fielder, Danny Sauter, Chyanne Chen, Myrna Melgar, Connie Chan, Rafael Mandelman
Adam Thongsavat, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors, Mayor's Office
Eileen F. Mariano, Manager of State and Federal Legislative Affairs, Mayor's Office
Aly Bonde, Policy Director, Mayor's Office
Paul Yoder, Karen Lange, Erica Smith, City Lobbyists - Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

1 [Urging Protection of Medi-Cal Dental Funding for California Children]

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3 **Resolution urging the Governor and State Legislature to protect Medi-Cal Dental**
4 **funding for California children; and reject proposed cuts and to fully restore funding in**
5 **the 2026 state budget.**

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7 WHEREAS, The health and well-being of children is a fundamental priority for the state
8 of California and for the residents of San Francisco; and

9 WHEREAS, Preventive dental care is essential to children’s overall health, educational
10 success, and long-term well-being, and untreated dental disease can lead to pain, infection,
11 difficulty eating, and preventable emergency room visits; and

12 WHEREAS, Dental pain is one of the leading reasons children miss school, with nearly
13 900,000 school days lost in California each year due to dental problems, directly undermining
14 academic achievement and family stability; and

15 WHEREAS, Medi-Cal Dental (Denti-Cal) provides critical access to preventive and
16 restorative dental care for millions of low-income children across California, including children
17 and families residing in the San Francisco; and

18 WHEREAS, The Governor’s proposed 2026 state budget includes a \$144 million
19 reduction to Medi-Cal Dental for children, a cut that would also forfeit approximately \$182
20 million in matching federal funds, compounding the impact of the reduction; and

21 WHEREAS, These proposed cuts represent approximately four-hundredths of one
22 percent (0.045%) of California’s \$323 billion state budget, yet would have outsized and lasting
23 consequences for children’s health; and

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1 WHEREAS, Reducing funding for preventive dental care does not save money, but
2 instead shifts costs to more expensive emergency room and acute care settings, increasing
3 long-term healthcare expenditures for state and local governments; and

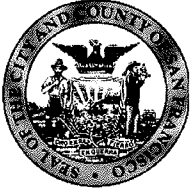
4 WHEREAS, Budgets are a reflection of priorities, and protecting children’s access to
5 basic healthcare, including dental care should remain a core priority of the state of California;
6 now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
8 hereby urges Governor Gavin Newsom and the California Legislature to reject proposed cuts
9 to Medi-Cal Dental and to fully restore and protect funding for children’s dental care in the
10 2026 state budget; and, be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors affirms that dental care is
12 healthcare, and that access to preventive dental services is essential to keeping children
13 healthy, in school, and out of emergency rooms; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board shall transmit copies of this
15 Resolution to the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, the President pro Tempore of the
16 Senate, and San Francisco’s state legislative delegation; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco stands with
18 community leaders, healthcare providers, educators, and families across California in calling
19 on state leaders to put children’s health first and keep their hands off kids’ health.



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Date Passed: March 10, 2026

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March 10, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

File No. 260224

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/10/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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