

1 [Edgewood Center for Children and Families Psychiatric Facility Designation Agreement]

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3 **Resolution designating Edgewood Center for Children and Families as an Evaluation**  
4 **and Treatment Facility, pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code Sections**  
5 **5150, 5585.50, and 5585.55, for Youth Ages 5 to 17; and authorizing the Director for**  
6 **Behavioral Health Services to enter into a Designation Agreement with said facility.**

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8 WHEREAS, There is a need for psychiatric crisis services for youth in the City and  
9 County of San Francisco; and

10 WHEREAS, Psychiatric Emergency Services at San Francisco General Hospital  
11 (SFGH) is currently the only facility able to receive youth in psychiatric crisis who have been  
12 placed on involuntary psychiatric holds, in accordance with California Welfare & Institutions  
13 Code (WIC) Section 5585; and

14 WHEREAS, SFGH's Psychiatric Emergency Services primarily cares for adult  
15 psychiatric patients; and

16 WHEREAS, Edgewood Center for Children and Families (Edgewood) specializes in  
17 children's mental health care and is able to provide services specifically designed for youth in  
18 psychiatric crisis; and

19 WHEREAS, WIC Sections 5150 and 5404 allow counties to designate facilities that are  
20 authorized to involuntarily detain individuals in psychiatric crisis and California Code of  
21 Regulations, Title 9, Section 821 provides that any facility so designated by the Board of  
22 Supervisors is subject to approval by the California Department of Health Care Services; and

23 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health supports the designation  
24 of Edgewood as an evaluation and treatment facility, pursuant to WIC Sections

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1 5150/5585.50/5585.55, with a specific focus on youth ages 5 to 17, and on November 04,  
2 2014, the San Francisco Health Commission also supported this designation; and

3 WHEREAS, To approve this designation, the California Department of Health Care  
4 Services requires a resolution by the Board of Supervisors; and

5 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has previously designated such facilities  
6 through the adoption of resolutions, including Resolution No. 756-96 and 359-09; and

7 WHEREAS, Designated facilities are required to operate in compliance with the  
8 requirements, and subject to the terms and conditions of the designated agreement contained  
9 on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in this File No. 150868, including any  
10 amendments which the Director of Behavioral Health Services may require, which is hereby  
11 declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors designates Edgewood  
13 Center for Children and Families to involuntarily detain psychiatric patients ages 5 to 17 years  
14 for evaluation and treatment as authorized by WIC Sections 5150/5585.50/5585.55; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the San  
16 Francisco Department of Public Health's Director of Behavioral Health Services to enter into a  
17 Designation Agreement with said facility.

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20 RECOMMENDED:

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23 Barbara A. Garcia, MPA

24 Director of Health

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