



San Francisco Department of Public Health

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Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Attached please find an original single-sided and two single-sided, black and white copies of the proposed Resolution for the Board of Supervisors approval, which designates the McAuley Adolescent Behavioral Health Unit at Dignity Health – St. Mary’s Medical Center – San Francisco as an Evaluation and Treatment Facility able to involuntarily evaluate and treat minors, ages 11-18, in psychiatric crisis, pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Sections 5150, 5585.50, and 55585.55.

The McAuley Adolescent Behavioral Health Unit at Dignity Health – St. Mary’s Medical Center – San Francisco specializes in the mental health care and crisis stabilization of adolescents, ages 11-18, and is currently the only acute hospital facility in San Francisco that is able to provide 72-hour evaluation/medically prescribed treatment and 14-day intensive medically prescribed treatment to adolescents, under WIC Sections 5150, 5585.50, and 55585.55. The San Francisco Department of Public Health supports this designation for the McAuley Adolescent Behavioral Health Unit at Dignity Health – St. Mary’s Medical Center – San Francisco.

Furthermore, the Adult Psychiatric Unit at Dignity Health - St. Mary’s Medical Center – San Francisco closed, effective June 30, 2001, does not serve as an adult treatment and evaluation facility pursuant to WIC codes 5150 and 5404, as previously designated by the Board of Supervisors in Resolution 756-96. The California Department of Health Care Services has requested that the designation be formally rescinded by the Board of Supervisors through this attached resolution as well.

The following person may be contacted regarding this matter:

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Sincerely,

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