

1 [Resolution calling on the Department of Public Health to establish a HIV/AIDS Housing Working  
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Supervisors to establish a comprehensive HIV/AIDS housing plan for San Francisco]

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5 **the Board of Supervisors to establish a comprehensive HIV/AIDS Housing plan for San**  
6 **Francisco.**

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8 WHEREAS; Stable and affordable housing is essential for persons living with HIV/AIDS; and

9 WHEREAS; Lack of access to housing for people with HIV/AIDS often results in serious  
10 decline of health and significantly higher rates of death; and

11 WHEREAS, While San Francisco is the leader in the movement to provide housing for people  
12 living with HIV/AIDS, San Francisco does not have a comprehensive HIV/AIDS Housing plan even  
13 though a plan is required for all municipalities that receive Federal funding; and

14 WHEREAS, San Francisco continues to face a shortage of appropriate housing options for  
15 people with HIV/AIDS, as evidenced by the HIV/AIDS Housing Waitlist which has more than 2,400  
16 people on it today; and

17 WHEREAS, In addition to current challenges faced by San Francisco, there are proposed  
18 Federal changes to the Ryan White CARE Act that will reduce the funds available for HIV/AIDS  
19 specific housing; and

20 WHEREAS, These actions by the Federal Government would further erode San Francisco's  
21 ability to adequately house a vulnerable population whose life often depends on access to housing; and

22 WHEREAS, Supervisor Dufty and Ammiano sponsored a hearing on June 12, 2006 to examine  
23 the impacts of the existing HIV/AIDS housing shortage as well as the impacts of future reductions with  
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1 the goal of developing innovative strategies to ensure that the existing housing stock is preserved and  
2 expanded; now therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That a working group will be established by the Department of Public Health that  
4 includes other relevant City agencies, community stakeholders and representatives from the Board of  
5 Supervisors to ensure that the existing housing stock for people with HIV/AIDS is preserved and  
6 expanded; and, be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That this working group will convene no later than August 1, 2006 and  
8 meet monthly for six months; and, be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the HIV/AIDS Housing working group will present its findings to  
10 the Board of Supervisors for further consideration and action.

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