

1 [Urging All Entities That Provide COVID-19 Vaccinations to San Francisco Residents to  
2 Ensure Their Vaccination Data is Reported to the Department of Public Health]

3 **Resolution urging all entities that provide COVID-19 vaccinations to San Francisco**  
4 **residents to report their vaccination data to the Department of Public Health, and**  
5 **urging the Department of Public Health to use any legal mechanism to obtain complete**  
6 **and accurate vaccination data from all vaccine providers.**

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8 WHEREAS, In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Mayor London N. Breed issued a  
9 Local Emergency Declaration on February 25, 2020, and the County Health Officer declared a  
10 local health emergency on March 6, 2020; and

11 WHEREAS, The County Health Officer issued a Stay-Safer-At-Home Order on March  
12 16, 2020, and, while the order has since been revised seven times, San Franciscans have  
13 been required to shelter-in-place in some form since that date; and

14 WHEREAS, As of December 2020, more than 22.3 million Americans have tested  
15 positive for COVID-19, of which more than 370,000 Americans have died; and

16 WHEREAS, Locally, more than 26,000 San Franciscans have contracted the disease  
17 and 234 have died, as of January 11, 2021; and

18 WHEREAS, The toll of this pandemic is disproportionately borne by communities of  
19 color, as more than 43 percent of positive cases are in the Latinx community and more than  
20 36 percent of deaths have occurred among the Asian population; and

21 WHEREAS, Despite this tragic loss of life, San Francisco has experienced better  
22 health outcomes than its peer cities because of early and decisive action to expand testing  
23 and hospital capacity, and because individual San Franciscans rose to the occasion by  
24 wearing masks, practicing social distancing and sheltering in place; and

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1           WHEREAS, These critical measures have saved the lives of hundreds, if not  
2 thousands of San Franciscans, but the social, cultural, and economic costs have been  
3 tremendous; and

4           WHEREAS, Life in San Francisco cannot return to normal until the COVID-19  
5 transmission rate declines; and

6           WHEREAS, The vaccine is a critical tool to slow the spread of the COVID-19 and  
7 end the pandemic; and

8           WHEREAS, The vaccine is safe and effective, with the first two available COVID-  
9 19 vaccines demonstrating 94 percent efficacy against a person becoming ill with COVID-  
10 19; and

11           WHEREAS, The state and federal governments are driving prioritization and  
12 allocation of the COVID-19 vaccine, and San Francisco is required to follow the state and  
13 national standards; and

14           WHEREAS, The state and federal guidelines on vaccine distribution require  
15 providing vaccines to healthcare workers in “Tier 1a” before making them available to the  
16 general public, and “Tier 1a” includes approximately 80,000 individuals employed within  
17 the City and County of San Francisco at public and private facilities; and

18           WHEREAS, Vaccines are allocated directly to healthcare facilities such as Kaiser,  
19 Sutter Health, Dignity Health, and UC San Francisco from the State of California as part  
20 of the Multi-County Entity Program; and

21           WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) also receives  
22 an allocation directly from the State of California, with the instructions that DPH “fill gaps  
23 in vaccine access;” and

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1           WHEREAS, This fragmented system has left the public confused and concerned  
2 about vaccine distribution, and the local media has reported that only a third of all vaccine  
3 doses in California have been administered; and

4           WHEREAS, DPH cannot meet its mandate to fill gaps in vaccine access if it does  
5 not have complete information from every system that administers a vaccine; and

6           WHEREAS, The current reporting system created by the State of California,  
7 requires that any entity providing the COVID-19 vaccine remits that data back to the  
8 State, and the State then provides that data to the county; and

9           WHEREAS, At the outset of the pandemic, there was a similar fragmentation in the  
10 COVID-19 testing system, and DPH remedied the confusion by issuing Public Health  
11 Order C19-10, which required that any entity that offered COVID-19 testing must provide  
12 the results of that testing to DPH; and

13           WHEREAS, DPH further enhanced the transparency of the testing system by  
14 putting testing data on their publicly visible dashboard; now, therefore, be it

15           RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors believes that providing  
16 complete, accurate and up to date information on COVID-19 vaccine distribution is necessary  
17 to instill public trust in the vaccine distribution system; and, be it

18           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges any entity  
19 providing COVID-19 vaccinations to individuals who work or reside in the City and County of  
20 San Francisco to provide complete data to the San Francisco Department of Public Health;  
21 and, be it

22           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the  
23 County Health Officer to issue any health order necessary to obtain data on vaccine  
24 administration; and, be it

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1           FURTHER RESOLVED; The San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the County  
2 Health Officer to issue any health order necessary to ensure that all vaccine providers  
3 communicate completely and accurately with those in their care about how vaccine  
4 administration will proceed; and

5           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the  
6 Department of Public Health to publish up-to-date information on vaccine doses received and  
7 administered, eligible population totals, and the progress toward total vaccination on its  
8 website so the public can be as well informed about vaccinations as they are about hospital  
9 capacity and transmission rates.

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