

1 [Urging the State of California to fund HIV/AIDS programs proposed for cuts in the FY 2009-  
2 10 state budget.]

3 **Resolution calling on the Governor and California Legislature to fully fund HIV/AIDS**  
4 **programs proposed to be cut in the FY 2009-10 state budget.**

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6 WHEREAS, the Governor has proposed \$81 million in cuts to HIV/AIDS programs in  
7 FY 2009-10, including a \$12.3 million cut to the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP);  
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10 WHEREAS, an estimated 160,000 Californians were living with HIV/AIDS in 2006 with  
11 some 27,000 of those cases in San Francisco; and,

12 WHEREAS, as estimated one sixth of the 37,000 Californians on ADAP live in San  
13 Francisco; and,

14 WHEREAS, ADAP provides free HIV medications to low-income HIV-positive  
15 Californians whose lives would be shortened without access to the program; and,

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17 WHEREAS, the Governor's proposed budget would cut \$68.7 million from vital  
18 HIV/AIDS programs including HIV testing, home health care, housing, early intervention for  
19 newly diagnosed HIV-positives, epidemiology and HIV prevention; and,

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21 WHEREAS, the bulks of these funds are distributed to the counties to support much  
22 needed programs; and,

23 WHEREAS, California has been a model for prioritizing HIV/AIDS care, and these cuts  
24 would signify a huge step backward for the standard of care and support services necessary  
25 to access that care; and,

1           WHEREAS, the proposed cuts will increase new cases of HIV and result in greater  
2 costs for care and treatment of people who could have avoided HIV infection; now, therefore,  
3 be it

4           RESOLVED that the SF Board of Supervisors opposes proposed cuts to state  
5 HIV/AIDS programs in the FY 1009-10 budget; and, be it

6           FURTHER RESOLVED that the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor  
7 Arnold Schwarzenegger and the California Legislature to continue to fund the HIV/AIDS  
8 programs at their FY 2008-09 levels, with necessary growth in funding for ADAP to meet  
9 increased enrollment.

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