[Opposing UCSF Stanford Health Care Layoffs

TRANSFER OF PUBLIC ASSETS TO A PRIVATE ENTITY.

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OPPOSING LAYOFFS AT UCSF STANFORD HEALTH CARE AND URGING THE
INVESTIGATION OF \$10.7 MILLION OPERATING DEFICIT AND FULL DISCLOSURE OF
UCSF STANFORD HEALTH CARE BOARD MEETING MINUTES, AND CALLING FOR A
MORATORIUM OF FURTHER LAYOFFS AND THE TRANSFER ASSETS AND SERVICES
UNTIL COMPLETION OF A FULL INVESTIGATION AND FURTHER URGING THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE CONSISTING OF LABOR, MANAGEMENT AND
COMMUNITY TO INVESTIGATE ALTERNATIVES TO LAYOFFS, STAFF CUTS AND THE

WHEREAS, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, a public teaching hospital merged with Stanford Hospital, a private hospital, on November 1, 1997 and created a new private not-for-profit entity called UCSF Stanford Health Center; and

WHEREAS, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center; prior to the merger of November 1997, was economically sound and strong and

WHEREAS, Hundreds of millions of dollars in public assets were transferred in November 1997 from UCSF to UCSF Stanford hospital; and

WHEREAS, The privatization of University of California, San Francisco Medical Center; at the time of the merger with Stanford Hospital resulted in losing public oversight of these public assets; and

WHEREAS, UCSF Stanford Health Care has now just reported a \$10.7 million dollar operating deficit; and

WHEREAS, UCSF Stanford Health Care reported a \$26 million net income from October 1997 through June 1998; and

WHEREAS, UCSF Stanford Health Care currently has the highest patient census in years, with beds full to capacity; and

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WHEREAS, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center; is transferring services, departments, employees, and other assets from the public institution to UCSF Stanford Health Care, despite the deficit; and

WHEREAS, UCSF Stanford Health Care is now proposing massive staff layoffs to cut costs, which could affect over two thousand workers; and

WHEREAS, UCSF Stanford Health Care lays off workers, it would result in unsafe staffing levels in the hospital and Quality Patient Care would suffer; and

WHEREAS, UCSF Stanford Health Care employs over 5,000 heads of households with families dependent on the wages and benefits these workers provide; and

WHEREAS, Over half of the patients at UCSF Stanford Health Care are either on MediCal, MediCare or without insurance; and

WHEREAS, Cuts in staff will mean cuts in services, with the burden falling on the Bay Area cities and counties to treat these low-income patients; and

WHEREAS, Massive layoffs in San Francisco at UCSF Stanford Health Care will cause these laid off workers to be dependent on local governments to fill the wage gap; and

WHEREAS, Massive layoffs in San Francisco at UCSF Stanford Health Care would also have an extremely negative impact on local Bay Area economies; and

WHEREAS, In addition, laid off workers will become dependent on already stretched social services in cities and towns throughout the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, The decrease in staff would adversely affect the quality of health care and patient care services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco strongly oppose the layoffs at UCSF Stanford Health Care; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors urges local Bay Area and State officials to investigate \$10.7 million operating deficit and to call for full disclosure of UCSF Stanford Health Care Board meeting minutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors calls for a moratorium of any layoffs and any transfer of University of California, San Francisco assets and/or services until after completion of this investigation and there is a full disclosure of Board Meeting minutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors urge that labor, management and the community establish a task force to seek alternatives to layoffs, the transfer of public assets to the private entity and staff cuts at UCSF Stanford hospital.

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Resolution

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Date Passed:

Resolution opposing layoffs at UCSF Stanford Health Care and urging the investigation of \$10.7 million operating deficit and full disclosure of UCSF Stanford Health Care Board meeting minutes, and calling for a moratorium of further layoffs and the transfer of assets and services until completion of a full investigation and further urging the establishment of a task force consisting of labor, management and community to investigate alternatives to layoffs, staff cuts and the transfer of public assets to a private entity.

April 19, 1999 Board of Supervisors — SEVERED FROM FOR ADOPTION WITHOUT COMMITTEE REFERENCE AGENDA

April 19, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Teng, Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Newsom Excused: 1 - Becerril File No. 990696

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 19, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.