

1 [Urging Governor Gray Davis to sign the Health Insurance Act of 2003: SB 2]

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3 **Resolution urging Governor Davis to sign Health Insurance Act of 2003, also known as**  
4 **SB 2, which would expand the current employer-based health care system to provide**  
5 **health coverage to over one million uninsured Californians.**

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7 WHEREAS, SB 2 would expand the current employer-based health care system to  
8 provide health coverage to over one million uninsured working Californians and their families;  
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10 WHEREAS, Current law does not provide a system of health care coverage for all  
11 California residents and does not require employers to provide health care coverage for  
12 employees and dependents, other than coverage provided as part of the workers'  
13 compensations system for work-related employee injuries; and

14 WHEREAS, Under SB 2, health care coverage would include a basic health care  
15 package plus prescription drugs; and

16 WHEREAS, California's emergency medical system will be stabilized by reducing  
17 demand on emergency rooms services; and,

18 WHEREAS, There will be state savings of \$650 million to \$1 billion in Medi-Cal costs.

19 WHEREAS, Businesses will gain significant tax benefits for providing this health care  
20 package to their employees; and

21 WHEREAS, Temporary workers and farm labor contractors will also benefit from this  
22 act; and

23 WHEREAS, Providing health care coverage to working people will improve health  
24 outcomes and productivity in the workplace; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
2 urge Governor Davis to sign the Health Insurance Act of 2003.

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