

1 [Hepatitis Awareness Month]

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3 **Resolution declaring May 2005 to be “ Hepatitis Awareness Month” in the City and**  
4 **County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, Hepatitis B is one of the top five causes of mortality in San Francisco; and,

7 WHEREAS, Hepatitis B is completely preventable through vaccination; and,

8 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health has identified primary  
9 goals to deal with the problem of Hepatitis B infection; and,

10 WHEREAS, One goal is to raise awareness among adults of the importance of being  
11 tested for Hepatitis, being vaccinated if unprotected and being monitored if infected with the  
12 disease; and,

13 WHEREAS, Another goal is to raise awareness among health care providers of the  
14 need to test and/or monitor Hepatitis B status; and,

15 WHEREAS, Another goal is to improve the percentage rate of adults who have been  
16 screened for Hepatitis B and have been vaccinated; and,

17 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health and the Stanford Asian  
18 Liver Center have joined resources to offer low cost hepatitis B testing and vaccination; and,

19 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health will host a forum on  
20 Protecting San Francisco’s Asian Population from Hepatitis B on Thursday, May 12, 2005;  
21 now, therefore be it,

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares May 2005 to be “Hepatitis  
23 Awareness Month” in the City and County of San Francisco.

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