

1 [Concurring in the Continuation of the Declaration of a Local Health Emergency - Monkeypox
2 Virus Outbreak]

3 **Motion concurring in the continuance of the San Francisco Health Officer’s August 1,**
4 **2022, Declaration of Local Health Emergency regarding the outbreak of the Monkeypox**
5 **virus.**

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7 WHEREAS, On August 1, 2022, the San Francisco Health Officer declared a local
8 health emergency relating to an outbreak of the Monkeypox virus; and

9 WHEREAS, On August 8, 2022, the Board of Supervisors ratified the Health Officer’s
10 August 1, 2022 Declaration of a Local Health Emergency; the motion ratifying that Declaration
11 is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in Board File No. 220908; and

12 WHEREAS, Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code requires that the
13 Board of Supervisors review the need for continuing a local health emergency at least every
14 30 days, and proclaim the termination of a local health emergency at the earliest possible date
15 that conditions warrant termination; and

16 WHEREAS, As set forth in the August 1, 2022, Declaration of Local Health Emergency,
17 the monkeypox outbreak in San Francisco is causing substantial health impacts on San
18 Francisco residents, with some cases resulting in serious medical issues, including, but not
19 limited to, severe pain, difficulty eating, and the potential for scarring of the skin; and

20 WHEREAS, Although the availability of monkeypox testing and vaccines has improved
21 since August 1, 2022, there remains an ongoing need to educate people about the risks of
22 monkeypox, work with communities who are traditionally under-represented in the receipt of
23 health care, administer as many vaccinations as possible, obtain additional doses of the
24 vaccine, expand testing and treatment, and otherwise address the current outbreak; and

1 WHEREAS, On September 1, 2022, the Health Officer transmitted a communication to
2 the Board of Supervisors advising that based on the factors listed above, she believes it is in
3 the best interest of San Francisco to continue the local health emergency for 30 days, and
4 requested that that this Board concur in the continuation of the local health emergency; a copy
5 of the communication is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 220933;
6 now, therefore be it

7 MOVED, That San Francisco Board of Supervisors concurs with the continuation of the
8 Declaration of Local Emergency originally issued by the Health Officer on August 1, 2022, and
9 that the Local Health Emergency shall continue beyond September 6, 2022, until, in
10 consultation with the Health Officer, the Board of Supervisors proclaims the Local Health
11 Emergency is terminated.

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