

[Calling on the Mayor to Fund 2,000 New Shelter or Temporary Housing Placements]

Resolution calling on Mayor London N. Breed to fund 2,000 new shelter or temporary housing placements over the next two fiscal years.

WHEREAS, In June, 2022, the Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted File No. 220281, the Place for All Ordinance, establishing the policy goal of providing immediate exits from the street for everyone willing to accept them, as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, This was a significant change in policy direction, driven by a growing realization among San Franciscans that shelter for all is a humanitarian imperative, and the quickest way to end unsheltered homelessness with limited resources; and

WHEREAS, The evidence shows that shelter for all policies are the quickest, most cost effective way to end unsheltered homelessness; and

WHEREAS, In New York City, which provides over twice as many shelter placements per capita than San Francisco and guarantees residents a legal right to shelter, 96.2% of people experiencing homelessness have some form of shelter or transitional housing; and

WHEREAS, In Boston, which provides over twice as many shelter placements per capita than San Francisco, 95.2% of people experiencing homelessness have some form of shelter or transitional housing; and

WHEREAS, On January 31, 2023, Supervisor Mandelman submitted a letter of inquiry to the Department of Emergency Management requesting a summary of resources needed to ensure prompt citywide removal of encampments within 24 hours; and

WHEREAS, On February 28, 2023, the Department responded that “under the context of ample shelter for all that is accessible 24 hours a day and if we preserved the current

1 resource levels from each department, we would be able to respond to everything rapidly –
2 likely within 24 hours”; and

3 WHEREAS, All Home’s 2021 Regional Action Plan, on file with the Clerk of the Board
4 of Supervisors in File No. 220281, found that “in order to reduce unsheltered homelessness
5 rapidly, most cities or counties will need to frontload investment into interim housing options,
6 such as leasing or purchasing motels, tiny homes, mobile homes, or other temporary housing
7 options”; and

8 WHEREAS, The Bay Area Council Economic Institute’s 2021 Report on
9 Homelessness, titled New Urgency, New Solutions, on file with the Clerk in File No. 220281,
10 found that “a Bay Area Shelter mandate could shelter the vast majority of the region’s
11 homeless population for approximately \$245 million in one-time capital expenditures and \$481
12 million in annual spending on services and management”; and

13 WHEREAS, In a March 17 letter to the Board of Supervisors, on file with the Clerk in
14 File No. 230115, Bay Area Council CEO Jim Wunderman called on the City to focus on
15 shelter, highlighting the fact that HSH estimates they can stand up seven shelter placements
16 for the cost of one permanent housing placement; and

17 WHEREAS, A broad coalition of San Francisco stakeholders have called for the City to
18 prioritize a rapid expansion of shelter, including the San Francisco Travel Association, SF
19 Benefit District Alliance, Council of District Merchants Associations, Coalition for San
20 Francisco Neighborhoods, SF Marin Medical Society, Union Square Alliance, and SF Bar
21 Owners’ Alliance; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby calls on Mayor
23 Breed to fund 2,000 new shelter or temporary housing placements over the next two fiscal
24 years.



City and County of San Francisco
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Resolution

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File Number: 230420

Date Passed: May 09, 2023

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May 03, 2023 Budget and Appropriations Committee - RECOMMENDED

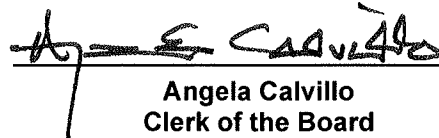
May 09, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Safai,
Stefani and Walton

Excused: 1 - Ronen

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I hereby certify that the foregoing
Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/9/2023 by
the Board of Supervisors of the City and
County of San Francisco.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

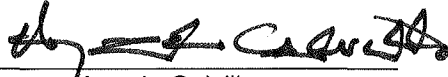
Unsigned

London N. Breed
Mayor

05/19/2023

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

05/19/2023

Date

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