

1 [Affirming Commitment to Ensuring the Long Term Viability and Operation of St. Luke's  
2 Hospital]

3 **Resolution recognizing the importance of St. Luke's Hospital and emergency room for**  
4 **the Southeastern Neighborhoods of San Francisco and affirming the Board of**  
5 **Supervisor's commitment to working with Mayor Lee, the Department of Public Health,**  
6 **and private hospital corporations that currently operate in San Francisco to ensure the**  
7 **long term viability and operation of this critical institution.**

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9 WHEREAS, St. Luke's Hospital is a full-service licensed acute care hospital that has  
10 served the Southeastern and South of Market neighborhoods of San Francisco since 1912;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The Southeastern San Francisco neighborhoods served by St. Luke's  
13 Hospital have been designated by the federal government as Medically Underserved Areas  
14 since 1982; and

15 WHEREAS, St. Luke's Hospital and San Francisco General Hospital are the only two  
16 hospitals located in the Southeastern section of San Francisco; and

17 WHEREAS, A key finding of the June 2012 Final Report of the Health Care Services  
18 Master Plan Task Force ("HCSMP TF") included that "the physical location and hours of  
19 operation of health care facilities impact patient access to services, particularly for San  
20 Francisco's vulnerable populations": on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.  
21 120775, which is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

22 WHEREAS, The Final Report of the HCSMP TF also found that residents of the  
23 Southeastern Sector of San Francisco suffer from higher proportions of deaths due to  
24 Alzheimer's Disease, flu and pneumonia, chronic lower respiratory disease, and chronic liver  
25 disease, endure higher rates of asthma, and receive less prenatal care; and

1           WHEREAS, The only other hospital located in Southeastern San Francisco, San  
2 Francisco General Hospital, is on diversion 25% of the time, meaning that its emergency room  
3 is at capacity and cannot accept any additional patients, leaving St. Luke's Hospital as the  
4 only available emergency room in the area; and

5           WHEREAS, In addition to serving as an important safety net for the uninsured and  
6 patients with Medi-Cal, St. Luke's Hospital also serves a sizeable population (27.7%) of  
7 privately insured patients and those patients that self-pay for services, providing a strong  
8 foundation for the Hospital to further attract a diverse payer mix; and

9           WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has a long history of declaring its support for St.  
10 Luke's Hospital, including Resolution No. 148-08, Opposing the Closure of St. Luke's  
11 Hospital: on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 120775, which is hereby  
12 declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

13           WHEREAS, The City family and the Health Commission also have a long history of  
14 supporting St. Luke's, as demonstrated by the creation of the Blue Ribbon Panel made up of  
15 thirty-one healthcare, labor, and business leaders including physicians and staff at St. Luke's  
16 Hospital, that met over the course of five months in 2008 to develop recommendations for the  
17 California Pacific Medical Center's ("CPMC") Board of Directors to achieve a viable plan for an  
18 acute care hospital with outpatient services at the St. Luke's campus; and

19           WHEREAS, CPMC's plan to rebuild and operate St. Luke's Hospital is currently in  
20 question as the Mayor and CPMC appear to have reached an impasse over the terms of the  
21 Development Agreement related to St. Luke's; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors once again affirms that St. Luke's is a  
23 critically important part of San Francisco's health care system; and, be it

24           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors is committed to ensuring that  
25 St. Luke's is rebuilt as a seismically safe and financially viable hospital; and, be it

1           FURTHER RESOLVED, That if CPMC decides to abandon its plans to rebuild St.  
2 Luke's and operate the hospital for a full 20 years, that the Board of Supervisors is committed  
3 to working with Mayor Lee, the Department of Public Health, and other private hospital  
4 corporations that currently operate in San Francisco in order to develop a long term plan for  
5 the successful operation and financial viability of this critical institution.  
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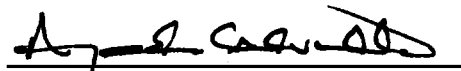
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July 24, 2012 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Kim, Mar, Olague and Wiener  
Excused: 1 - Farrell

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/24/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

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Mayor

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Date Approved

Date: August 3, 2012

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

  
Angela Calvillo  
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