[Hepatitis C Wellness Conference]

1

2

3

4

5 6

7 8

9

10 11

12 13

14

15 16

17

18

19 20

21

22 23

24

25

COMMENDING THE COMMUNITY SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES OF THE SAN
FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SISTERS AGAINST GLOBAL
EXPLOITATION, AND ACUPUNCTURE AND RECOVERY TREATMENT SERVICES FOR
HOLDING THE JANUARY 31 SAN FRANCISCO WELLNESS CONFERENCE ON THE TOPIC
OF HEPATITIS C.

WHEREAS, Hepatitis C infects approximately 8.5 times as many people as HIV, with an estimated 12,000 to 17,000 persons in San Francisco said to be infected and approximately 30,000 Americans dying from Hepatitis C each year; and,

WHEREAS, This "silent killer" is of particular danger because most of its victims do not exhibit symptoms, yet approximately 85% of those infected develop chronic liver disease; and,

WHEREAS, This disease is contracted through exposure to affected blood and is a more tenacious virus than HIV, explaining why 90% of injection drug users test positive for Hepatitis C; and,

WHEREAS, On January 31, several groups, including Sisters Against Global Exploitation, the Community Substance Abuse Services of the San Francisco Department of Public Health, and Acupuncture and Recovery Treatment Services, joined forces to sponsor a wellness conference to raise awareness of Hepatitis C and to discuss both western and eastern approaches for treatment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby commend Sisters Against Global Exploitation, the CSAS of the Department of Public Health, and the Acupuncture and Recovery Treatment Services for holding the January 31 San Francisco Wellness Conference on the topic of hepatitis C; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors asks that copies of this legislation be sent to each of the above-named organizations or departments.



City and County of San Francisco Tails

City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Resolution

File Number:

000214

Date Passed:

Resolution commending the Community Substance Abuse Services of the San Francisco Department of Public Health, Sisters Against Global Exploitation, and Acupuncture and Recovery Treatment Services for holding the January 31 San Francisco Wellness Conference on the topic of hepatitis C.

February 7, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 6 - Ammiano, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Newsom

Absent: 5 - Becerril, Kaufman, Teng, Yaki, Yee

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 7, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

FEB 18 2000

Date Approved