

1 [Reaffirming Commitment to Women's Access to Affordable Reproductive, Family Planning,
2 and Sexual Health Services in San Francisco]

3 **Resolution denouncing President Trump and the United States Department of Health**
4 **and Human Services for proposing to prohibit federal Title X funding for federally**
5 **funded clinics that provide abortions or abortion-related services; and affirming San**
6 **Francisco's commitment to protect and maintain an individual's choice to receive**
7 **access to critical women's health services.**

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9 WHEREAS, President Donald Trump and his administration has been vocal in their
10 opposition to a woman's right to choose what to do with their bodies and to agencies that
11 provide contraception or abortion-related services; and

12 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
13 recently released proposed changes to prohibit the use of federal Title X Family Planning
14 Program funding for agencies that provide abortions or abortion-related services; and

15 WHEREAS, The Title X Family Planning Program is critical to women's health in San
16 Francisco because it is the only federal grant program dedicated to funding these services
17 through a network of community-based clinics such as Planned Parenthood Northern
18 California and the Women's Community Clinic in San Francisco, through the San Francisco
19 Department of Public Health; and

20 WHEREAS, Organizations that provide abortion or abortion-related services also
21 provide critical women's health services such as comprehensive family planning, reproductive
22 and sexual preventive health services and education to individuals regardless of where they
23 live, their income level, their immigration status, race, religion gender identity, or sexual
24 orientation; and

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1 WHEREAS, San Francisco’s commitment to open access family planning has led to
2 better health outcomes; and

3 WHEREAS, The Trump Administration has stated that HHS’ proposed change to Title
4 X funding requirements is not a reinstatement of the Domestic Gag Rule, which was put forth in
5 1988 and barred health care professionals at Title X-funded health centers from counseling
6 patients on pregnancy options that included abortion or referring patients to abortion
7 providers; however, the proposed change to Title X Family Planning Program fund
8 requirements does bring back elements of and goes beyond the Domestic Gag Rule from
9 1988; and

10 WHEREAS, This resolution builds upon the San Francisco Board of Supervisors’
11 commitment to women’s health as demonstrated by File No.170102, which is hereby declared
12 to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors denounces the United States Department
14 of Health and Human Services’ proposed changes that would prohibit the use of Title X
15 Family Planning Program funds for programs where abortion is included as an option in family
16 planning services; and be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors will continue to champion the
18 right to choose and access to critical women’s health services and hereby directs the Clerk of
19 the Board to transmit copies of this Resolution to United States Congresswoman Nancy
20 Pelosi, United States Congresswoman Jackie Speier, United States Senator Dianne
21 Feinstein, and United States Senator Kamala Harris.

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