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1 [Urging the Department of Public Health and Health Commission to Name a Facility After the
2 Late Health Commissioner David J. Sanchez, Jr., PhD]

3 **Resolution urging the Department of Public Health (DPH) Director of Health and the**
4 **Health Commission to work with the Board of Supervisors to name or rename a DPH**
5 **facility after the late David J. Sanchez, Jr., PHD in honor of his lifelong leadership and**
6 **contributions to vulnerable residents of the City and County of San Francisco.**

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8 WHEREAS, Dr. Sanchez served on the San Francisco Health Commission for 22
9 years, having been appointed by Mayor Willie Brown in 1997 and served through 2019; and

10 WHEREAS, During his long tenure on the Health Commission, he served as Health
11 Commission Vice President, Chair of the Laguna Honda Hospital Joint Conference
12 Committee, and Chair of the Finance and Planning Committee; he also served as a member
13 of the Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital Joint Conference Committee and
14 represented the Health Commission on the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation; and

15 WHEREAS, His fellow commissioners recognized Dr. Sanchez’s commitment and
16 presence at each commission meeting, describing him as always providing “enthusiastic
17 support for the San Francisco Department of Public Health with particular interest around
18 issues related to diversity, seniors, and veterans;” and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Sanchez was a dedicated advocate and long standing community
20 leader in San Francisco for decades before joining the Health Commission, having served as
21 President of the Police Commission and President of the Board of Education; he was also a
22 member of the Community College Board, the San Francisco Foundation Board of Directors,
23 and the California Commission on Aging; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Sanchez devoted much of his professional career as a University of
25 California at San Francisco professor and a valued member of the administration, helping to

1 connect the San Francisco General Hospital campus to the community through development
2 of vital programs such as the Child and Adolescent Support Advocacy and Resource Center
3 (CASARC), Urban Health Program, and the Latino Assessment Center; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Sanchez's contributions and well-established commitment to public
5 service were recognized and honored by the Health Commission upon his resignation of the
6 commission, after his 22 years of service, in 2019; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Sanchez was a beloved member and leader in the Latino community,
8 advocating for increased access to health, resources, and opportunities for the Latino
9 community and other vulnerable communities throughout his leadership, including as a
10 member of the Board of Directors for both Centro Latino and Mission Language Vocational
11 School (MLVS), well recognized Latino-serving, community anchor organizations; and

12 WHEREAS, This action of naming a building after a lifelong public servant
13 representative of the Latino community, who was dedicated to equity, diversity and improved
14 health access and outcomes for the most vulnerable residents in San Francisco; and

15 WHEREAS, We recognize that representation matters and placemaking is critical to
16 honor and preserve the history and ongoing contributions of Latino leaders to the legacy that
17 and fabric of the great city of San Francisco, especially critical during this time when the
18 Latino community continues to face displacement from the city and neighborhood that Dr.
19 Sanchez loved and demonstrated unwavering commitment to and who have been particularly
20 impacted by exacerbated health and economic disparities of the pandemic; and

21 WHEREAS, The San Francisco City Charter designates authority to naming or
22 renaming DPH facilities to the Department of Public Health (DPH) Director of Health, the
23 Health Commission, and the Board of Supervisors; and

24 WHEREAS, According to the Health Commission's most recent policy made effective
25 on August 4, 2015 on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 220134, which

1 is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as set forth herein, designated the Director
2 of Health as the sole DPH employee who has authority to recommend or approve naming or
3 renaming requests for any portion of DPH facilities, in accordance with this policy; and

4 WHEREAS, The policy states that the Health Commission will review requests and
5 recommendations for naming or renaming of facilities under DPH ownership or management,
6 and will forward to the Board of Supervisors its recommendations regarding naming or
7 renaming requests for DPH non-hospital facilities; for which the Board of Supervisors retains
8 authority to name these types of buildings; and

9 WHEREAS, This request to name a DPH facility is not associated with any private gift
10 or monetary donation; the request to name a facility after Dr. David J. Sanchez, Jr. is purely in
11 honor of his many years of dedicated service, his impactful contributions to the residents of
12 the City and County of San Francisco, the legacy he represents for the Latino Community,
13 and the importance of recognizing and preserving the history of Latinos in San Francisco; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. David J. Sanchez, Jr. was a native San Franciscan and proud resident
15 of the Mission District; and

16 WHEREAS, He passed away peacefully in San Francisco on December 12, 2020, at
17 the age of 81, leaving a legacy of public service and commitment to seniors, veterans,
18 equitable health access, and the Latino community; be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors joins the San Francisco Health
20 Commission in honoring Dr. David J. Sanchez, Jr. for his many years of dedicated public
21 service to the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly urges DPH and the
23 Health Commission to consider naming a building under their ownership or management,
24 working with the Board of Supervisors and community stakeholders on identifying a building
25 befitting of Dr. Sanchez's legacy of service and the community he represented; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the
2 Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Director of DPH and the Health
3 Commission; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests that DPH provide a
5 written response within sixty (60) days of the passage of this Resolution including a list of
6 facilities under their ownership or management that can be named/renamed after David J.
7 Sanchez, Jr., PhD.

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City and County of San Francisco

Edwin M. Lee, Mayor

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San Francisco Department of Public Health

Policy & Procedure Detail

Policy & Procedure Title: Naming of DPH Facilities (HCM4)		
Category: Health Commission		
Effective Date: 8/4/15	Last Revision Date: N/A	
DPH Unit of Origin: Health Commission		
Policy Owner: Mark Morewitz, Health Commission Secretary	Phone: 554-2666	Email: mark.morewitz@sfdph.org
Distribution: DPH-wide <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other:	

1. Purpose of Policy

The City Charter designates specific authority in regard to naming or renaming DPH facilities to the Department of Public Health (DPH) Director of Health¹, the Health Commission², and the Board of Supervisors³.

For the purpose of this policy, the term “DPH facilities” refers to: any building owned or managed by DPH and equipment owned by DPH including: hospitals, clinics, administration buildings, vehicles, and other equipment; any rooms or other internal or external spaces (e.g. gardens); and plaques.

This policy and procedure (P&P) provides clarity and guidance regarding the process by which requests to name/rename DPH facilities will be considered for approval.

2. Policy

- A. The Health Commission has designated the Director of Health as the sole DPH employee who has authority to recommend or approve naming or renaming requests for any portion of DPH facilities, in accordance with this policy. Therefore all such requests must be sent to her/him for consideration before finalizing a naming or renaming request.
- B. The DPH Director of Health will send all requests to name or rename any portion of DPH facilities to the Health Commission with her/his decision or recommendation regarding the request. The DPH Director of Health may meet with the Health Commission President and Vice President to discuss the recommendation before forwarding to the full Health Commission.

The mission of the San Francisco Department of Public Health is to protect and promote the health of all San Franciscans.

We shall ~ Assess and research the health of the community ~ Develop and enforce health policy ~ Prevent disease and injury ~
~ Educate the public and train health care providers ~ Provide quality, comprehensive, culturally-proficient health services ~ Ensure equal access to all ~

- C. The Health Commission will then review the request or recommendation. The Health Commission may request that the Director of Health reconsider her/his recommendation. Requests to name or rename a DPH hospital building will be considered through an item on a full Health Commission agenda.
- D. The Health Commission will forward to the Board of Supervisors its recommendations regarding naming or renaming requests for DPH non-hospital facilities; the Board of Supervisors retains authority to name these types of buildings.
- E. A request to name or rename any portion of a DPH Facility in connection with a private gift of any amount of money must be approved by the Board of Supervisors after the DPH Director of Health and the Health Commission have approved the request.

Approval Process for Requests to Name or Rename Any Portion of a DPH Facility

	DPH Director of Health	Health Commission	Board of Supervisors
DPH Hospital Buildings	<i>Reviews, and Submits Recommendations</i>	Approves	<i>N/A</i>
Rooms, Internal/External Spaces within DPH Hospital Buildings	Approves	<i>Reviews</i>	<i>N/A</i>
DPH Non-Hospital Buildings	<i>Reviews, and Submits Recommendations</i>	<i>Reviews and Approves</i>	Approves
Rooms, Internal/External Spaces within DPH Non-Hospital Buildings, vehicles, plaques	Approves	<i>Reviews</i>	<i>N/A</i>
DPH Facility Naming in Connection with a Private Gift of Any Amount	<i>Reviews, Approves, and Submits Recommendation for Final Approval.</i>	<i>Reviews and Approves</i>	Approves

Procedures to Request Naming/Renaming of Any Portion of a DPH Facility

- A. Requests for naming or renaming any portion of a DPH Facility should be made through a written memo to the DPH Director of Health:
- i. The memo should be sent through the relevant DPH Division Director.
 - ii. The memo should clearly describe the portion of the DPH facility, give a history of the facility, and give a thorough explanation for the request to name/rename the facility.
 - iii. Photos of the facility should accompany the memo.
 - iv. Relevant financial information related to the request should be included if a donor is involved.
 - v. The proposed length of time for the naming/renaming request (e.g. 50 years, perpetuity).

¹Charter §4.110, §4.126

²Charter §4.110, §4.102(1)

³Charter §1.102, §4.102.1, §2.114, §10.100-305

Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor inquiries"
- 5. City Attorney Request.
- 6. Call File No. from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Reactivate File No.
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission
- Youth Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission
- Building Inspection Commission

Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form.

Sponsor(s):

Supervisors Melgar and Ronen

Subject:

Urging the Department of Public Health (DPH) Director of Health and the Health Commission to work with the Board of Supervisors to name a DPH facility after the late Health Commissioner David J. Sanchez, Jr., PhD

The text is listed:

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/Myrna Melgar