

1 [Urging the Appropriation of Funding and Strategic Responses for Homelessness]

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3 **Resolution urging the Biden Administration to allocate federal funding and resources**
4 **from the ALL INside Initiative to San Francisco, urging the Newsom Administration to**
5 **allocate ongoing state funding for the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention**
6 **(HHAP) program, extend the Project Homekey funding, and urging the San Francisco**
7 **Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to develop a regional strategic**
8 **response to the homeless crisis.**

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10 WHEREAS, According to a 2022 Point in Time count, San Francisco has over 7,700
11 people experiencing homelessness on our streets, making this is an urgent public health
12 crisis, and is one of the most pressing issues facing our City; and

13 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has limited resources to solve the
14 city’s homelessness crisis on our own, and to meaningfully address the homelessness crisis
15 we must work with federal and state partner agencies; and

16 WHEREAS, On May 18, 2023, the White House launched the ALL INside Initiative, a
17 federal strategic plan to prevent and end homelessness with the goal of reducing
18 homelessness by 25% by the year 2025 and ultimately build a country where everyone has a
19 safe affordable home; and

20 WHEREAS, The ALL INside Initiative builds a partnership between the U.S.
21 Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) and 19 federal member agencies to
22 accelerate local efforts to move people off of the streets and into homes; and

23 WHEREAS, The ALL INside Initiative specifically targets five cities across the United
24 States, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, Phoenix Metro, and Seattle as well as the State of
25 California; and

1 WHEREAS, The strategy of the ALL INside Initiative includes embedding a dedicated
2 federal official in each participating community to offer knowledge and resources and provide
3 “tailored support” to accelerate locally-driven strategies and enact system-level changes to
4 reduce unsheltered homelessness; and

5 WHEREAS, The ALL INside Initiative seeks to reduce barriers to housing, health care,
6 and other support for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness by deploying resources
7 across federal agencies including identifying opportunities to navigate federal funding
8 streams, leverage data-sharing, and breakdown layers of regulations; and

9 WHEREAS, The ALL INside Initiative draws on a \$486 million package of grants
10 administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development which sets
11 aside \$36 million for communities across California; and

12 WHEREAS, On May 17, 2023, San Francisco Mayor London N. Breed joined the
13 California Big City Mayors coalition to call on State leaders to continue funding to address the
14 statewide homelessness crisis; and

15 WHEREAS, The California Big City Mayors coalition requested \$2 billion a year in
16 ongoing funding through the Homelessness Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP)
17 grant program which can be used to build new housing, providing operating costs for shelter
18 beds, supporting youth drop-in centers, delivering enhanced services at shelters, and other
19 urgent needs; and

20 WHEREAS, The Big City Mayors coalition also advocated for an additional \$1.5 billion
21 in funding for Project Homekey to help cities purchase more buildings to provide housing for
22 formerly homeless individuals; and

23 WHEREAS, To date, San Francisco has acquired six properties totaling 799 units
24 using Homekey funding; and

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1 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department on Homelessness and Supportive
2 Housing has a singular focus on preventing and ending homelessness for people in San
3 Francisco; and

4 WHEREAS, San Francisco recently launched “Home by the Bay”, a strategic plan to
5 cut homelessness in half over the next five years through increased investment in housing,
6 shelter, and prevention services; and

7 WHEREAS, Homelessness in the San Francisco Bay Area does not have city or
8 county limits; and

9 WHEREAS, San Francisco offers services and support to more individuals
10 experiencing homelessness than its neighboring counties; and

11 WHEREAS, In order to combat the regional crisis of homelessness in the Bay Area,
12 there should be a strategic regional response, including shared county resources, shared
13 county data, and coordination with local health care systems, including but not limited to
14 providing shelter and health care facilities beyond city boundaries; and

15 WHEREAS, Due to San Francisco’s high cost of living, we must continue to ensure that
16 residents are not getting priced out of their homes and put onto the streets; and

17 WHEREAS, Increased assistance from the Biden Administration and the State of
18 California can help the City and County of San Francisco expedite the process of getting
19 individuals into long term housing; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the Biden
21 Administration to specifically direct funding and resources through the ALL INside Initiative to
22 San Francisco to develop a tailored plan to addressing unsheltered homelessness; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors reaffirms Mayor
24 London Breed’s request for increased state funding and urges the Newsom Administration to

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1 allocate funding from the Homelessness Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) grant
2 program and Project Homekey; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the San
4 Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to develop a regional
5 strategic response across the nine Bay Area Counties to share resources including access to
6 data, services, and coordinated responses in responding to the regional homeless crisis; and,
7 be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
9 Francisco directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to President Joe
10 Biden, Governor Gavin Newsom, the San Francisco Federal Legislative Delegation, San
11 Francisco's State Legislative Delegation, the City and County of San Francisco State
12 Lobbyist, the USICH Director of National Initiatives, Beverley Ebersold, and the San Francisco
13 Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing.

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