

1 [Urging Congress to Support \$100 Billion Relief Funding for Child Care in the Next COVID-19  
2 Relief Package]

3 **Resolution urging Congress to support the Federal House of Representatives**  
4 **recommendation supporting \$100 billion to aid in the relief, recovery, and revitalization**  
5 **of the child care sector in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic, authored by**  
6 **Congresswoman Katherine Clark, Congressmembers Jahana Hayes, Jimmy Panneta,**  
7 **Suzanne Bonamici, Danny Davis, and Tom Malinowski, and signed by 84 House**  
8 **Congress members.**

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10 WHEREAS, Historically, the early education and child care sector has been  
11 undervalued and underfunded; and

12 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is home to almost 78,000 children,  
13 with only 23,000 children age 0-11 qualify for subsidized early care and education; and

14 WHEREAS, The current funding for San Francisco only covers 38 percent of children,  
15 age 0-11, who are income eligible for subsidies, leaving over 14,000 children in need; and

16 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco continues to have a significant  
17 unmet need for additional licensed slots and subsidized spaces; and

18 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has devastated and significantly impacted early  
19 education and child care operating in centers and home based programs; and

20 WHEREAS, This has caused additional financial burden to providers and families due  
21 to layoffs and mandatory closures; and

22 WHEREAS, The Bipartisan Policy Center found that the impact of COVID-19 has led to  
23 the closure of 60 percent of licensed child care facilities; and

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1           WHEREAS, The National Association for the Education of Young Children revealed  
2 that only 11 percent of the country’s child care providers would survive without government  
3 aid; and

4           WHEREAS, The Center for Law and Social Policy estimated that the child care and  
5 early education industry requires at least \$9.6 billion each month to sustain the viability of  
6 providers; and

7           WHEREAS, On May 6, 2020, 84 Congress members called for the federal government  
8 to invest \$50 billion in the form of short-term stabilization funding and an additional \$50 billion  
9 in long-term recovery funding to aid students, families, and providers; and

10          WHEREAS, The short-term stabilization funding would support essential frontline  
11 workers, and prioritize keeping providers operational, especially providers that serve the most  
12 marginalized children and families in our communities; and

13          WHEREAS, Congress members are proposing to make child care and early education  
14 more accessible after the pandemic by providing aid for families and investing in providers,  
15 early childhood educators, and Head Start; and

16          WHEREAS, Child care and early childhood education have become more inaccessible  
17 and unaffordable due to the increasing economic impact of COVID-19; and

18          WHEREAS, These investments are holistic and include support for providers, facilities,  
19 families, and the early education workforce including making the Child and Dependent Care  
20 Tax Credit refundable, reauthorizing the Child Care Access Means Parents in School  
21 (CCAMPIS) program to provide more child care support to student parents, support both the  
22 renovation and new construction of child care facilities, an early childhood educators student  
23 loan repayment program, and increase in technology supports and child mental health  
24 consultations; and

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1           WHEREAS, Now more than ever, we must provide support to families that need  
2 access to child care and early education services, especially parents who are frontline  
3 workers; now, therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San  
5 Francisco supports the proposal of congress members to invest \$100 billion in child care and  
6 early education to help sustain accessible, affordable, and quality child care and early  
7 education services during and after the pandemic; and, be it

8           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urge the  
9 federal government to invest in workforce development and provide aid to current providers  
10 and educators; and, be it

11          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board  
12 to transmit copies of this Resolution to Congresswoman Katherine Clark, Congressmembers  
13 Jahana Hayes, Jimmy Panetta, Suzanne Bonamici, Danny Davis, and Tom Malinowski,  
14 Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Chairmen of the Education and Labor Committee Congressman  
15 Bobby Scott, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education Chair,  
16 Congressman Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan, and the House Democratic Caucus.

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