

1 [Hospital Emergency Room Closures]
2 URGING THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR DAVIS TO
3 APPROVE ASSEMBLY BILL 421 RELATING TO THE DOWNGRADE OR CLOSURE OF
4 URBAN HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS.

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6 WHEREAS, Existing law provides that a health facility with a license or special permit
7 to provide emergency services may surrender its license or special permit with the approval of
8 the State Department of Health Services; and,

9 WHEREAS, Existing law places specified restrictions, including departmental review of
10 the county impact evaluation, on approval of the downgrade or closure of emergency
11 services; and,

12 WHEREAS, The California State Legislature is currently considering Assembly Bill 421
13 which was introduced by Assembly Member Aroner; and,

14 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 421 would prohibit the California Department of Health
15 Services from approving the downgrade or closure of an urban hospital emergency
16 department if a county or its designated emergency services agency concludes that it would
17 not be in the best interest of the general public; and,

18 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 421 would allow a hospital to appeal a determination that a
19 downgrade or closure is not in the best interest of the general public to the Secretary of the
20 California Health and Human Services Agency; and,

21 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 421 is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in
22 File No. 991039 ; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
24 endorses Assembly Bill 421 and urges the Legislature and Governor to approve this
25 legislation; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his Honor, the Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the delegation from San Francisco in the State Legislature, as well as Governor Davis, with a request they take all action necessary to achieve the objectives of this resolution.



City and County of San Francisco

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File Number: 991039

Date Passed:

Resolution urging the California State Legislature and Governor Davis to approve Assembly Bill 421 relating to the downgrade or closure of urban hospital emergency departments.

June 1, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee, Ammiano,
Becerril

Absent: 1 - Bierman

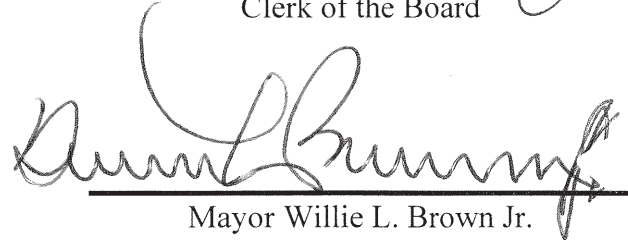
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 1, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.