

1 [Approval of the San Francisco Child and Family Services Review - System Improvement
2 Plan for the San Francisco Human Services Agency and Juvenile Probation Departments]

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1 WHEREAS, the San Francisco Human Services Agency administers the funding from
2 the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment, Community-Based Child Abuse
3 Prevention and Promoting Safe and Stable Families programs to provide local services; and

4 WHEREAS, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors designated the San Francisco
5 Child Abuse Prevention Council as the local child abuse prevention council as described by
6 Welfare & Institutions Code Sections 18982, and participation of the Child Abuse Council is
7 integral to the development of the System Improvement Plan; and

8 WHEREAS, San Francisco faces key challenges relating to recurrence of
9 maltreatment, reducing reentries of children into foster care, and the timely adoption of foster
10 children who cannot be reunified safely with their parents, and the utilization of least restrictive
11 placement options for juvenile offenders; and

12 WHEREAS, the development of the System Improvement Plan incorporated input from
13 parent advocates, foster parents, community-based family support organizations, court
14 appointed special advocates, public agency partners including San Francisco Department of
15 Public Health and Community Behavioral Health Services, and staff from the San Francisco
16 Human Services Agency child welfare program and the San Francisco Juvenile Probation
17 Department; and

18 WHEREAS, the development of the System Improvement Plan also included focused
19 analysis of child welfare data, which found that the number of children in foster care has been
20 reduced by half in the last decade and the racial disproportion of children entering foster care
21 for the first time has decreased dramatically, and the System Improvement Plan includes
22 strategies to sustain these outcome improvements; and

23 WHEREAS, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 44-10
24 approving Self Assessment, a needs assessment for Child Welfare and Juvenile Probation
25 Placement which informed the System Improvement Plan; and

1 WHEREAS, the System Improvement Plan meets the requirements specified by the
2 California Department of Social Services, Children and Family Services Division and the
3 Office of Child Abuse Prevention, and requires approval by the Board of Supervisors; and
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the City and County of San Francisco
6 approved the Child Welfare and Juvenile Probation System Improvement Plan from May 15,
7 2010, through May 15, 2013, and authorizes the San Francisco Human Services Agency to
8 submit the System Improvement Plan to the California Department of Social Services,
9 Children and Family Services Division, and the Office of Child Abuse Prevention.

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