



YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor London Breed
Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors

CC: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy Director, Board of Supervisors
Legislative Aides, Board of Supervisors

FROM: 2021-2022 Youth Commission

DATE: Monday, July 25, 2022

RE: Three Youth Commission Actions from July 18, 2022: support Resolution: Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Refuge - SB107; support Resolution: Student Success Fund - Charter Amendment; support Resolution No. 220739 [Urging the Department of Public Health, Municipal Transportation Agency, and Police Department to Amend the City's Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol]

At its virtual meeting on Monday, July 18, 2022, the Youth Commission took the following actions:

1. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to support the Resolution: Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Refuge - SB107 ([PDF](#)) (attached).
2. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to approve Resolution: Student Success Fund - Charter Amendment ([PDF](#)) (attached).
3. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to support Resolution No. 220739 [Urging the Department of Public Health, Municipal Transportation Agency, and Police Department to Amend the City's Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol] ([PDF](#)) (attached).

[Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Refuge - Senate Bill 107]

Resolution in support of California Senate Bill 107 by Senator Scott Wiener in the 2021-2022 session of the California State Legislature to protect and grant refuge to transgender and gender non-binary kids and their parents fleeing states separating children from their parents, criminalize the parents, or criminalize people coming to CA to receive gender-affirming care, and urging the Board of Supervisors to support the aforesaid legislation.

WHEREAS, State Legislators and Governors, including those in the states of Idaho, Texas, Arizona, Louisiana, and Alabama, are committing blatant legal and social attacks against transgender and gender non-binary youth across the United States, and

WHEREAS, 33 State Legislatures had anti-transgender and gender non-binary legislation introduced across the United States in 2021¹, and

WHEREAS, 20 State Legislatures have had bills introduced to restrict or end gender-affirming care across the United States in 2022², and

WHEREAS, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a directive to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services on February 22, 2022 directing the Department to investigate parents of transgender and gender non-binary children, claiming that gender-affirming care could constitute “child abuse”³, and

WHEREAS, Texas is also proposing to remove transgender and gender non-binary children from their parents and place them in foster care while in turn jailing the parents, and

¹ [This record-breaking year for anti-transgender legislation would affect minors the most](#), CNN 4/15/2021

² Freedom for ALL Americans [Legislative Tracker: Youth Healthcare Bans](#)

³ [Texas governor calls on citizens to report parents of transgender kids for abuse](#), NBC News 2/23/2022

WHEREAS, San Francisco and the State of California have historically been places of safe haven for legal and social protection for members of the queer community, including transgender and gender non-binary people; and

WHEREAS, as attacks against transgender and gender non-binary youth across the United States continue, it is the responsibility of San Francisco and the State of California to ensure transgender and gender non-binary people, particularly youth, continue to be protected and welcomed, and

WHEREAS, California Senator Scott Wiener has introduced California Senate Bill 107 in the 2021-2022 Session of the California State Legislature to protect transgender and gender non-binary kids and their parents seeking refuge in California⁴, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will reject any out-of-state court judgments that remove trans kids from their parents based on parents allowing their kids to receive gender-affirming healthcare, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will make out-of-state court judgments removing trans kids from their parents based on parents allowing their kids to receive gender-affirming healthcare against California public policy and will preclude those judgments from being enforced in California courts, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will bar compliance in California with any out-of-state subpoenas seeking health or related information about people who come to California to receive gender-affirming care, if the subpoena relates to efforts to criminalize people, or remove children, based on receiving gender-affirming care, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will make it public policy that out-of-state arrest warrants for someone based on violating another state's law against

⁴ [California Senate Bill No. 107](#)

receiving gender-affirming care will be the lowest law enforcement priority in California, and

WHEREAS, California Senators Toni Atkins, Susan Eggman, and John Laird and California Assemblymembers Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, Mia Bonta, Sabrina Cervantes, Matt Haney, Ash Kalra, Alex Lee, Evan Low, and Chris Ward have co-sponsored California Senate Bill 107, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will take action and play offense to ensure that the LGBTQ+ community is protected and welcomed in California, and therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 2021-2022 San Francisco Youth Commission declares support for California Senate Bill 107 in the 2021-2022 Session of the California State Legislature to protect transgender and gender non-binary kids and their parents seeking refuge in California, and

RESOLVED, that the 2021-2022 San Francisco Youth Commission urges the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to support California Senate Bill 107 in the 2021-2022 Session of the California State Legislature for the aforementioned reasons, and

RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission directs Youth Commission staff to transmit copies of this resolution to members of the California State Senate, California State Assembly, and the Office of the Governor of California.

[Charter Amendment - Student Success Fund]

[Resolution in Support of the City and County of San Francisco’s Student Success Fund Charter Amendment to fund 15 years of Funding to Provide Grants to schools in San Francisco Unified School District to Implement Programs that Improve Academic Achievement and Social/Emotional Wellness of Students]

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund inspires creativity and specific programming designed to effectively serve the students at each school site in order to improve social/emotional wellness and academic achievement; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund set asides \$60 million a year for grants to San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) schools to give wrap around programs to better student achievement along with social/emotional wellness; and,

WHEREAS, the wide range of programming could include accelerated curriculum for math and literacy, summer and/or after school opportunities to learn, programming in STEM, art, music, and dance, additional tutors to give assistance to teachers and students, full time wellness specialists such as school nurses, psychologists, and social workers; and,

WHEREAS, the funds are not intended to be used to fill the deficit of SFUSD or basic classroom or administrative positions at the school; and,

WHEREAS, the main source of funding for the program is the excess Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF); and,

WHEREAS, to prevent the dismantling of the program during years of recession, the Department of Children Youth and Their Families (DCYF) will be required to place any unused funds in any given fiscal year in a reserve fund for the program; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco public schools have been chronically underfunded for decades, causing major student deficits in basic academic skills like reading, writing, and math; and,

WHEREAS, underfunding of the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) has led to deficits for students around social-emotional health and well-being; and,

WHEREAS, school sites benefit from on-site programs like professional mental health providers, arts programs, physical education programs, a diverse offering of leadership experiences, and other enrichment programs; and,

WHEREAS, student-centered academic achievement and enrichment programs have been proven to support students' wellbeing and academic standing; and,

WHEREAS, funding for these programs has historically been cut in SFUSD schools due to limited budgeting; and,

WHEREAS, when these programs are implemented at SFUSD school sites they have positive impacts on students' social-emotional wellbeing and academic standing, yet these programs often have limited short-term funding; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund Charter Amendment will provide grants to SFUSD school sites to help create long-term funding for enrichment programs focusing on student academic achievement; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund earmarks \$60 million a year for grants to SFUSD schools (Pre-K-12th grade) to provide evidence-based wrap-around programs to improve student achievement and social-emotional wellness; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund Charter Working Group has made recommendations for the funding for many communities by including a variety of stakeholders (such as Supervisors Ronen and Melgar, educators, parents, San Francisco Board of Education Commissioners Alexander and Boggess, incoming Superintendent Dr. Wayne, students from SFUSD Advisory Council, community based organizations, and Department of Children, Youth and Their Families); and,

WHEREAS, data from SFUSD 2019 test scores shows that scores of students in pitch schools located in the Bayview and Mission, areas with statistically higher proportions of Black and Brown youth, have repeatedly under 40% of students reading at grade level (the lowest percentage being 8%) and under 43% proficient in math (the lowest percentage being 8%); and,

WHEREAS, students from historically marginalized communities in particular use school and community programming as a safe space and for educational enrichment; and,

WHEREAS, the main source of the funding for this program is the excess Educational Excess Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF), a fund used by San Francisco in the 90s that was supposed to be for students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission strongly urges the Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to create and implement the Student Success Fund by passing this charter amendment; and,

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission strongly urges the Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and the San Francisco Board of Education to ensure that all San Francisco public schools are adequately funded to provide safe environments for core instruction, in addition to the programs that can be funded through the Student Success Fund; and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission calls on San Francisco policy makers and community leaders to implement grant application assessment processes to consistently consult and value the input from SFUSD students.

1 [Urging the Department of Public Health, Municipal Transportation Agency, and Police
2 Department to Amend the City’s Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol]

3 **Resolution urging the Department of Public Health, Municipal Transportation Agency,**
4 **and Police Department to amend the City’s Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol to**
5 **include a public town hall within two weeks of a traffic fatality, at which information**
6 **regarding the fatal incident is presented to the public and agency representatives are**
7 **available to answer questions.**

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9 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco adopted the Vision Zero policy in
10 2014, prioritizing safety for all road users through good road design; providing meaningful
11 education to the public and decision-makers on traffic safety, equitable enforcement of traffic
12 laws focused on dangerous behaviors and locations; and advancing policies that enhance
13 safety; and

14 WHEREAS, Vision Zero is San Francisco’s initiative to eliminate traffic fatalities and
15 reduce severe traffic-related injury on San Francisco’s streets; and

16 WHEREAS, in 2015, City agencies adopted a Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol
17 which requires certain actions from Department of Public Health (DPH), Police Department
18 (SFPD), Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), and OME following a traffic fatality; and

19 WHEREAS, The Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol requires SFMTA to convene a
20 Rapid Response call with DPH and SFPD within a week of the incident, along with other
21 requirements, but the protocol does not include any public facing disclosures or information,
22 except for monthly reporting of the number and location of incidents on the Vision Zero
23 Website; and

24 WHEREAS, MTA follows a Vision Zero Rapid Response Protocol, dated July 19, 2019,
25 which requires close and timely coordination among the city’s agencies and within one hour of

1 the incident the SFMTA is notified by the SFPD and within 24 hours, the Rapid Response
2 team is on-site analyzing possible improvements; and

3 WHEREAS, the Rapid Response Protocol further requires that repairs should be
4 implemented within 72 hours of the crash and immediate-term safety improvements should be
5 installed within one month; and

6 WHEREAS, Any improvements will be in addition to longer-term efforts to improve
7 safety on the corridor and any questions or deficiencies regarding items outside the
8 jurisdiction of the SFMTA, such as street lighting or pavement conditions, are referred to their
9 respective agencies for follow up; and

10 WHEREAS, Upon finalization of traffic fatality counts, the monthly and year-to-date
11 reporting templates will be distributed to key Vision Zero Stakeholders at a number of
12 agencies via a list maintained by SFDPH; and

13 WHEREAS, Stakeholders include, Mayor, SFMTA Director, SFPD Police Chief,
14 SFDPH Director and Health Officer, Advocacy Groups, San Francisco Bicycle Coalition and
15 Walk San Francisco, and Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Reporting Team Representatives from
16 SFPD, SFMTA, and SFDPH; and

17 WHEREAS, On July 25, 2017, The Board of Supervisors passed [File Number 170692](#),
18 Ordinance amending the Transportation and Urban Design Elements of the General Plan to
19 implement the City's Vision Zero policy regarding pedestrian safety; making findings, including
20 findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code,
21 Section 101.1; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California
22 Environmental Quality Act; and

23 WHEREAS, A standardized case definition of traffic fatality across city agencies
24 ensures consistency, and is critical for data collection, analysis, and evaluation of the burden
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1 of traffic mortality in the City and County of San Francisco, as well as tracking progress
2 towards Vision Zero; and

3 WHEREAS, Members of the public often seek details regarding the incidents, but there
4 is no established protocol to provide answers to the public's questions; and

5 WHEREAS, A town hall would provide an opportunity to share the latest information,
6 prevent the spread of misinformation, and give the public an opportunity to ask questions and
7 learn about traffic safety improvement plans; and

8 WHEREAS, A town hall would help raise awareness about traffic fatalities and tools
9 available to prevent such fatalities, thereby furthering the objectives of Vision Zero to eliminate
10 traffic fatalities and injuries; and

11 RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors should be added to the SFDPH list of Vision
12 Zero stakeholders, Under Appendix B: VZ Stakeholders Receiving Memo Vision Zero Fatality
13 Reporting Upon finalization of traffic fatality counts, the monthly and year-to-date reporting
14 templates; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors urges SFMTA, DPH, and SFPD to
16 amend the City's Vision Zero Traffic Fatality Protocol to include a public town hall within two
17 weeks of a traffic fatality, at which information regarding a fatal incident is presented to the
18 public, and at which agency representatives are on hand to answer questions; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors urges SFMTA and SFDPH to
20 provide a written response back to the Board of Supervisors on the status of such an
21 amendment within 30 days of the date of this Resolution; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board shall transmit a copy of this
23 Resolution to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Department
24 of Public Health and the San Francisco Police Department.

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