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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Alondra Esquivel-Garcia, Director, Youth Commission

FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk,  
Rules Committee

DATE: March 27, 2024

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee has received the following Resolution. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

**File No. 240239**

**Resolution urging the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to prioritize families with children to receive shelter or hotel vouchers the same day that they arrive at an access point, to develop a comprehensive plan that focuses on children and families to prevent children from living on the streets and develop a multilingual, accessible public dashboard where families can monitor the waitlist and the progress of moving families into permanent housing.**

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to Victor Young, Assistant Clerk, Rules Committee.

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- No Comment
- Recommendation Attached

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Chairperson, Youth Commission



# City and County of San Francisco

## Master Report

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**File Number:** 240239      **File Type:** Resolution      **Status:** Pending Committee Action

**Enacted:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Effective:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Version:** 1      **In Control:** Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

**File Name:** Urging Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to Develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children to Receive Shelter      **Date Introduced:** 03/12/2024

**Requester:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cost:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Final Action:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comment:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** Resolution urging the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to prioritize families with children to receive shelter or hotel vouchers the same day that they arrive at an access point, to develop a comprehensive plan that focuses on children and families to prevent children from living on the streets and develop a multilingual, accessible public dashboard where families can monitor the waitlist and the progress of moving families into permanent housing.

**Sponsors:** Safai; Ronen,  
Walton, Preston,  
Chan and Peskin

### History of Legislative File 240239

Ver	Acting Body	Date	Action	Sent To	Due Date	Result
1	President	03/12/2024	RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED	Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee		

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# Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp  
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor  inquiries"
- 5. City Attorney Request.
- 6. Call File No.  from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Reactivate File No.
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission
- Youth Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission
- Building Inspection Commission

**Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form.**

Sponsor(s):

Subject:

The text is listed:

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

**From:** [Carrillo, Lila \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Angulo, Sunny \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Gee, Natalie \(BOS\)](#); [Hernandez, Melissa G \(BOS\)](#); [Ferrigno, Jennifer \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FOR INTRODUCTION: Resolution Urging HSH to develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 12, 2024 3:33:05 PM  
**Attachments:** [Safai - Intro Form - Resolution Urging HSH to Develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children.pdf](#)  
[Safai - Resolution Urging HSH to Develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children.doc](#)

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I am also adding Supervisors Ronen, Walton, Preston, Chan offices to confirm cosponsorships.

Kindly,

Lila

Lila Carrillo, Legislative Aide  
Supervisor Ahsha Safai, District 11  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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**Subject:** RE: FOR INTRODUCTION: Resolution Urging HSH to develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 12, 2024 3:38:00 PM

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Thank you Lila. Confirming for Supervisor Walton.

**Natalie Gee** 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff  
**Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10**  
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**Subject:** Re: FOR INTRODUCTION: Resolution Urging HSH to develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 12, 2024 3:58:19 PM

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Thank you, Lila. Confirming sponsorship for Supervisor Ronen.

Take care,

Jen

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San Francisco District 9 | Supervisor Hillary Ronen  
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**Subject:** RE: FOR INTRODUCTION: Resolution Urging HSH to develop a Comprehensive Plan that Prioritizes Families with Children  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 12, 2024 4:09:57 PM

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Confirming for Sup. Preston. Thank you!

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