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MEMORANDUM

Date: July 23, 2024

To: Dr. Matt Wayne, Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District
Judson Steele, Executive Assistant, San Francisco Board of Education

From:  Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors

Subject: Urging SFUSD to Include Equity Criteria in Resource Alignment Initiative
(File No. 240736)

On July 2, 2024, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 376-24, sponsored by President Aaron Peskin (File No. 240736, Urging SFUSD to Include Equity Criteria in Resource Alignment Initiative), which was enacted on July 12, 2024.

Please find the attached courtesy copy of the Resolution for your office's information and consideration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184.

c: Members of the Board of Supervisors; Supervisors Aaron Peskin, Connie Chan, Hillary Ronen, Shamann Walton, Dean Preston
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1 [Urging the SFUSD To Include Clear Equity Criteria in Resource Alignment Initiative]

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3 **Resolution urging San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) Superintendent Matt**
4 **Wayne and the Board of Education to include clear equity criteria in the Resource**
5 **Alignment Initiative that includes the cultural and community significance of school**
6 **sites in specific neighborhoods, such as Chinatown, Bayview Hunter’s Point, Visitacion**
7 **Valley, the Mission, the Western Addition, and the Tenderloin, as well as neighborhood**
8 **density, walkability, in-language services and staffing, and on-site direct support**
9 **services for low-income, immigrant and BIPOC communities, and those living in public**
10 **housing and SRO residences, who may have otherwise been undercounted for a**
11 **variety of reasons, as part of the decision process; and to undertake the enrollment**
12 **realignment process, including middle and high schools, in parallel to the**
13 **consideration of school facilities consolidation and potential closures; and to create a**
14 **clear transition plan with transfer preference options for teachers and school staff.**

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16 WHEREAS, In August of 2023, The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD)
17 began its Resource Alignment Initiative in response to declining student enrollment, declining
18 revenue, staffing challenges, and deteriorating academic facilities; and

19 WHEREAS, The District Advisory Committee (DAC) was established to deliberate and
20 provide public feedback on resource alignment strategies; and

21 WHEREAS, At the Board of Education meeting on June 25, 2024, SFUSD
22 Superintendent Matt Wayne provided a presentation that explained the scoring system for
23 each school, but a decision on what schools will be affected by the Resource Alignment Plan
24 will not be disclosed until sometime in the Fall of 2024; and

1 WHEREAS, At the June 25, 2024 Board of Education meeting, the Board voted on a
2 Resource Alignment proposal as part of the 2024-2025 budget that lacked any details on how
3 school communities will potentially be impacted; and

4 WHEREAS, While the proposal does rank equity criteria above excellence criteria and
5 effective use of resources criteria, the equity criteria should be more detailed and
6 comprehensive, including using a clearer metric for Historical Inequities, such as Qualifying
7 Census Tracts, HCD opportunity areas that are used by the State, or SF Planning
8 Environmental Justice General Plan Policies and Public Health maps; and

9 WHEREAS, Neighborhoods like Chinatown, Bayview Hunter's Point, Visitacion Valley,
10 the Mission, the Western Addition, and the Tenderloin have experienced historical barriers to
11 equitably accessing resources, disparities which were starkly highlighted during the pandemic,
12 when children and families living in public housing sites or in Single Room Occupancy (SRO)
13 hotels did not initially receive Distance Learning supplies because they were not on SFUSD's
14 distribution list and also were the last to have school-site food pantry programs stood up; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
17 urges SFUSD Superintendent Matt Wayne and the Board of Education to include clear equity
18 criteria in the Resource Alignment Initiative that includes the cultural and community
19 significance of school sites in specific neighborhoods, such as Chinatown, Bayview Hunter's
20 Point, Visitacion Valley, the Mission, the Western Addition, and the Tenderloin, as well as
21 neighborhood density, walkability, in-language services and staffing, and on-site direct
22 support services for low-income, immigrant and BIPOC communities, and those living in
23 public housing and SRO residences, who may have otherwise been undercounted for a
24 variety of reasons, as part of the decision process; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges SFUSD to undertake the
2 enrollment realignment process, including middle and high schools, in parallel to the
3 consideration of school facilities consolidation and potential closures, with long-term planning
4 in mind for sustaining healthy and complete neighborhoods; and

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges Superintendent Wayne
6 and the Board of Education to work with school communities and nonprofit organizations on a
7 transition plan with a significant runway in the event that their school will be closed as part of
8 the Resource Alignment Plan to ensure that parents and families can prepare for potential
9 school closures, as well as create a clear transition plan with transfer preference options for
10 teachers and school staff; and

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board
12 to transmit this Resolution upon passage to the SFUSD Superintendent and Board of
13 Education.



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Resolution

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File Number: 240736

Date Passed: July 02, 2024

Resolution urging San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) Superintendent Matt Wayne and the Board of Education to include clear equity criteria in the Resource Alignment Initiative that includes the cultural and community significance of school sites in specific neighborhoods, such as Chinatown and the Tenderloin, as well as neighborhood density, walkability, in-language services and staffing, and on-site direct support services for low-income, immigrant and BIPOC communities who may have otherwise been undercounted for a variety of reasons, as part of the decision process.

July 02, 2024 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

Ayes: 8 - Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen and Walton

Excused: 2 - Chan and Stefani

Absent: 1 - Safai

July 02, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED AS AMENDED

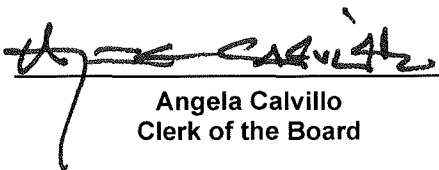
Ayes: 8 - Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on 7/2/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board


Unsigned

London N. Breed
Mayor

07/12/2024

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

07/12/2024

Date

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