

1 [Edgewood Center for Children and Families Psychiatric Facility and Designation Agreement]

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3 **Resolution designating Edgewood Center for Children and Families as an Evaluation**
4 **and Treatment Facility, pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code, Section**
5 **5151, for youth ages 5 to 17; and authorizing the Director for Behavioral Health**
6 **Services to enter into a Designation Agreement with said facility.**

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8 WHEREAS, There is a need for psychiatric crisis services for youth in the City and
9 County of San Francisco; and

10 WHEREAS, Psychiatric Emergency Services at San Francisco General Hospital
11 (SFGH) is currently the only facility able to receive youth in psychiatric crisis who have been
12 placed on involuntary psychiatric holds, in accordance with California Welfare and Institutions
13 Code (WIC) Section 5585;

14 WHEREAS, SFGH's Psychiatric Emergency Services primarily cares for adult
15 psychiatric patients; and

16 WHEREAS, Edgewood Center for Children and Families (Edgewood) specializes in
17 children's mental health care and is able to provide services specifically designed for youth in
18 psychiatric crisis; and

19 WHEREAS, WIC Section 5151 allows counties to designate facilities that are
20 authorized to involuntarily detain individuals in psychiatric crisis; and

21 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health supports the designation
22 of Edgewood as an evaluation and treatment facility, pursuant to WIC Section 5151, with a
23 specific focus on youth ages 5 to 17, and on November 4, 2014, the San Francisco Health
24 Commission also supported this designation; and

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1 WHEREAS, To approve this designation, the California Department of Health Care
2 Services requires a resolution by the Board of Supervisors.

3 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has previously designated such facilities
4 through the adoption of resolutions, including Resolution No. 756-96 and 359-09; and

5 WHEREAS, Designated facilities are required to operate in compliance with the
6 requirements, and subject to the terms and conditions of the designated agreement contained
7 on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in this File No. _____, including any
8 amendments which the Director of Behavioral Health Services may require, which is hereby
9 declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors designates Edgewood
11 Center for Children and Families to involuntarily detain psychiatric patients ages 5 to 17 years
12 for evaluation and treatment as authorized by WIC Section 5151; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the San
14 Francisco Department of Public Health’s Director of Behavioral Health Services to enter into a
15 Designation Agreement with said facility.

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18 RECOMMENDED:

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21 Barbara A. Garcia, MPA
22 Director of Health

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