

1 [Urging the Director of the Department of Public Health and the Sheriff to Create a Working
2 Group to Plan for the Permanent Closure of County Jail Nos. 3 and 4]

3 **Resolution urging the Director of the Department of Public Health and the Sheriff to**
4 **convene a working group to plan for the permanent closure of County Jail Nos. 3 and 4,**
5 **and any corresponding investments in new mental health facilities and current jail**
6 **retrofits needed to uphold public safety and better serve at-risk individuals.**

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8 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has rejected the proposed 384-bed
9 Rehabilitation Detention Facility (RDF) and the proposed \$215,000,000 in Certificates of
10 Participation intended to fund its construction; and

11 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has verbally directed the Department of Real
12 Estate to begin negotiating the acquisition of real property at 814-820 Bryant Street, 444-6th
13 Street, 450-6th Street, and 470-6th Street, adjacent to the existing Hall of Justice and County
14 Jails No. 3 and No. 4, and will soon consider legislation approving those acquisitions; and

15 WHEREAS, The State Public Works Board has awarded San Francisco \$80,000,000 of
16 lease revenue bond financing to help fund the construction of a facility to replace County Jail
17 Nos. 3 and No. 4; and

18 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is interested in greater investment in mental
19 health and jail diversion resources, including the possible construction of a facility adjacent to
20 the current Hall of Justice that will provide mental health and substance abuse treatment as
21 well as jail diversion programs, and that may incorporate other City uses such as office space
22 for City workers affiliated with the Hall of Justice, and may be funded in whole or in part with
23 the State Public Works Board financing; and

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1 WHEREAS, Planning for the closure of County Jail Nos. 3 and No. 4 and for greater
2 investment in mental health and jail diversion resources will require a collaborative process;
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4 WHEREAS, The Director of the Department of Public Health and the Sheriff are the
5 most appropriate officials to lead this planning effort; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Director of the Department of
7 Public Health and the Sheriff to convene a working group including: mental health providers
8 and advocates, former inmates who have benefitted from community mental health programs,
9 the District Attorney, Public Defender, Police Department, Adult Probation, Pre-Trial
10 Diversion, Controller, Department of Public Works, and Capital Planning, to develop a plan
11 that will provide effective and humane investments in mental health; identify what new facility
12 or facilities are needed; and seek to maintain San Francisco's eligibility to use State Public
13 Works Board financing for those facilities; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests the Director of the
15 Department of Public Health and the Sheriff to provide an initial report the Board no later than
16 March 31, 2016.

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