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[Urging the Elimination of the Blood Donation Ban by Gay and Bisexual M	en
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Resolution urging the United States Food and Drug Administration to end any federal bans on blood donation by gay and bisexual men.

WHEREAS. In 1983 the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) instituted a policy to ban blood donations by any man who has had sex with another man at least one time since 1977; and

WHEREAS, In December 2015, the FDA amended the policy to ban donations from any man who has had sex with another man at least once within the last year; and

WHEREAS, On Sunday, June 12, 2016, a gunman entered an LGBT nightclub in Orlando and murdered 49 people and wounded another 53 people; and

WHEREAS. This attack has caused great pain and suffering in the LGBT community. but has also strengthened solidarity in the community; and

WHEREAS, Members of the LGBT community who wished to donate blood to help the survivors of this tragic attack were prohibited from doing so by FDA's current blood donation ban policies; and

WHEREAS. While a gay or bisexual man cannot donate blood within 12 months of having sex with another man, he experiences no comparable limitation in buying a gun; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, Italy switched to individual risk assessments to screen blood donors, and has not had any major increase in HIV infections since; and

WHEREAS, A 2010 study by the University California at Los Angeles found that lifting the 12 month ban would add another 300,000 pints of blood per year; and

WHEREAS, The American Medical Association, the Human Rights Campaign, the AIDS Research Institute at UCSF, the American Association of Blood Banks, and the National

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Gay Blood Drives are just a few of the organizations that support lifting the FDA prohibitions on blood donations; and

WHEREAS, In 2010 and 2014, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed resolutions calling for the FDA to revise their longstanding prohibition on gay men donating blood; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That San Francisco Board of Supervisors calls upon the United States Food and Drug Administration to end federal policy that prohibits gay and bisexual men from making blood donations.



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