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RESOLUTION NO.

[National Donate Life Month - April]

Resolution recognizing April as National Donate Life Month in the City and County of San Francisco and urging all San Franciscans to register as organ and tissue donors; committing to providing education to City and County of San Francisco employees about the need for and benefits of organ and tissue donation; and recognizing the partnership between the San Francisco Unified School District, Department of Public Health, and Donor Network West to implement California State Assembly Bill 1967, authored by former Speaker of the California Assembly, John A. Pérez, to provide education to students and staff about the need for and benefits of organ and tissue donation.

WHEREAS, There are currently 119,000 men, women and children on the national transplant waiting list, and every 10 minutes another person is added to the waiting list; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 665 people in San Francisco are on the waiting list for a life-saving organ transplant, but last year only 67 of these patients were transplanted; and

WHEREAS, 44 percent of those on the waiting list in San Francisco are Asian, 19 percent are Hispanic, 19 percent are Caucasian, and 14 percent are African American; and

WHEREAS, Every year, the waiting list for organs gets longer, but the number of donors and transplants does not keep up with the growing need; and

WHEREAS, 82 percent of people waiting for an organ are waiting for a kidney; and WHEREAS, 22 people die every day in the United States waiting for an organ transplant; and

WHEREAS, Only 3 in 1,000 people die in a way that allows for organ donation; and

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WHEREAS, Any person can become a potential organ and tissue donor regardless of age, ethnicity or medical history; and

WHEREAS, A living donor can save a life by providing one kidney or a portion of their liver; and

WHEREAS, A deceased organ donor can save up to eight lives by donating their heart, pancreas, intestines, liver, two kidneys, and two lungs; and

WHEREAS, A deceased tissue donor can enhance up to 75 lives by donating their eyes, cornea, skin, heart valves, veins, and bones and connective tissues; and

WHEREAS, People can indicate that they would like to become a donor during their driver license application or renewal process, and anyone over the age of 13 can sign up online anytime or learn more about organ and tissue donation online at

www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org; and

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WHEREAS, Approximately 22,000 people on the waiting list for an organ donation live in California; and

WHEREAS, More than half of adults over the age of 18 in the United States are registered as organ donors while only 43 percent of the total population of California are registered as organ donors; and

WHEREAS, In 2012, the Governor of the State of California signed into law Assembly Bill 1967 (John A. Pérez), which amended the California Education Code to include a provision that all health and science curriculum frameworks adopted by the Instructional Quality Commission and the State Board of Education include the subject of organ procurement and tissue donation; and

WHEREAS, The intent of AB 1967 is to inform young people about the importance of organ and tissue donation in order for them to make an educated decision about the opportunity to save lives; and

WHEREAS, Donor Network West is a federally designated Organ Procurement Organization serving 175 hospitals and five transplant hospitals in Northern and Central California while providing service and support to doctors, nurses, coroners and medical examiners, and families; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) has made a pledge to support Donor Network West and educate Primary Care Physicians at SFDPH in clinics in the Chinatown and Castro neighborhoods as well as others in order to increase awareness about organ and tissue donation and registration in areas of San Francisco where it is most needed; and

WHEREAS, SFDPH has included information about organ and tissue donation registration in their employee newsletter; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Health Services System (HSS) has committed to working with Donor Network West to provide education during open enrollment and flu season, where they typically see over 500 employees and retirees each year; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) in partnership with SFDPH and Donor Network West, as part of their obligation to implement AB1967, has committed to providing organ and tissue donation information and registration materials including information about the HIV Organ Policy Equity (HOPE) Act which allows for organ transplants between HIV positive individuals, in 18 or more school wellness centers throughout San Francisco, as well as educating wellness staff and teachers about organ and tissue donation via their professional development programs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognizes April as National Donate Life Month in San Francisco and urges all San Franciscans to register to be an organ donor; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco commits to providing education to City and County staff and employees about the need for and benefits of organ and tissue donation; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco supports the mission and work of Donor Network West in providing compassionate support and education about organ donation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco commends the SFUSD for becoming the first school district in California to comply with AB1967 and urges the SFUSD to continue to provide this information to students on an ongoing bases; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco is unwavering in its support for policies and programs that educate and inform residents about the need for and benefits of organ and tissue donation.

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