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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date:

May 15, 2018

To:

Andres Power, Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the Board of Supervisors

Barbara A. Garcia, Director, Department of Public Health

From:

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors

Subject:

Resolution Urging the Mayor to Fund Specific City-Wide Homelessness

Priorities in the FYs 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Budgets (File No. 180427)

On May 1, 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 134-18, sponsored by Supervisor Malia Cohen (File No. 180427, Resolution Urging the Mayor to Fund Specific City-Wide Homelessness Priorities in the FYs 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Budgets); enacted on May 11, 2018.

Please find the attached courtesy copy of the Resolution for the Mayor's Office and Department of Public Health'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: Supervisor Malia Cohen, Member of the Board of Supervisors
Supervisor Jeff Sheehy, Member of the Board of Supervisors
Supervisor Catherine Stefani, Member of the Board of Supervisors
Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer, Member of the Board of Supervisors
Shade Tavakoli, Mayor's Office
Greg Wagner, Department of Public Health
Dr. Naveena Bobba, Department of Public Health
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[Resolution Urging the Mayor to Fund Specific City-Wide Homelessness Priorities in the FYs 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Budgets]

Resolution urging the Mayor to prioritize prevention of Homelessness, exits into housing, and increased funding for Transitional-Age Youth (TAY), and individuals with chronic mental illness in the FYs 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Budgets, including rapid rehousing subsidies, eviction prevention, and a TAY-focused navigation center.

WHEREAS, The Mayor of San Francisco will release the proposed two-year budget for the City and County of San Francisco for FYs 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 on June 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors has discretionary authority to amend and supplement the Mayor's proposed Budget through the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's (HSH) 2017 Point in Time (PIT) count estimated that there are approximately 7,500 people experiencing homelessness on any given day in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The Budget Legislative Analyst identified homelessness and housing to be a key budget priority for the Board of Supervisors, as reflected in their presentation to the Budget and Finance Committee on March 22, 2018, and which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 180250, which is declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Budget and Finance Committee held a "Budget Priority Hearing" on April 19, 2018, to determine gaps and opportunities in our City's Homelessness and Housing programs for the FY2018-2019 Budget, featuring presentations by the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, Department of Public Health, Mayor's Office of Housing, City Services Auditor, Budget Legislative Analyst, and key community stakeholders,

which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 180339, and which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 150 people newly experience homelessness every day in San Francisco, while an approximate 50 persons exit homelessness per day; and

WHEREAS, Eviction defense legal services reduce the rate of families and individuals entering homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Mental illness and behavioral health issues are significantly aggravated in those communities living in street encampments or experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Investment in city grants to those non-profits that employ currently or formerly homeless individuals, particularly in street cleaning and community maintenance, has a compounding positive effect on our city; and

WHEREAS, Transitional Age Youth comprise an estimated 18% of the homeless population, but receive only 5% of the resources and funding; and

WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, most families experiencing homelessness are single mothers with children under the age of six; and

WHEREAS, An explicit goal and priority of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to end family homelessness by December 2021; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors urged the Mayor to increase funding for Pit Stops and workforce development through street cleaning in a Resolution urging the Mayor to fund specific city-wide street-cleaning priorities in the FY2018-2019 Budget, as is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 180390, and which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors herein urges the Mayor to prioritize prevention, problem solving, and speedy exits from homelessness in the FYs 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Budgets; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the investments in prevention and problem solving should include additional resources for eviction defense legal services; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That HSH and the Mayor's Budget Office prioritize the creation of a Navigation Center specifically for Transitional Aged Youth; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor increase funding for Rapid Rehousing subsidies; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of Public Health (A) increase outreach to those individuals suffering from mental illness, either through the Homeless Outreach Team or the Street Medicine team, and (B) opportunities to expand "treatment beds" for those chronically homeless individuals suffering from mental illness and / or addiction; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor and HSH should continue their efforts to compassionately end street homelessness in FY2018-2019, and that they identify a cost-effective plan for swiftly reducing street encampments, be that through pop-up shelters, Navigation Centers, or other high-impact, low-cost shelter bed expansion initiatives; and that HSH present its findings and any related changes in strategy to the Board of Supervisors; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That resources and funding dedicated for Transitional Age Youth experiencing homelessness be generally increased to more closely represent their proportional representation in the population of homeless individuals.



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## Resolution

File Number:

180427

Date Passed: May 01, 2018

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May 01, 2018 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Stefani, Tang and Yee

File No. 180427

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/1/2018 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mark E. Farrell Mayor

May 11, 2018

**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 his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Clerk of the Board