

[Declaration of Emergency]

Motion concurring in the determination of the Mayor for the continued need for the declaration of emergency in connection with the needle exchange program.

WHEREAS, On March 15, 1993, the Mayor declared a local emergency to exist in connection with the AIDS epidemic and the high rate of HIV infection among injection drug users and the corresponding high rate of transmission of the disease; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor directed the Department of Public Health to take immediate steps to implement a needle exchange program in order to prevent the further spread of HIV infection; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution concurring in the declaration of emergency and in the Mayor's directive to the Department of Public Health; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8630 requires the Board of Supervisors to review the need for continuing the local emergency at least every 14 days; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor has determined that the conditions that gave rise to the need for the declaration of emergency still exist and that the need for the declaration of emergency continues; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby concurs in the determination of the Mayor for the continued need for the declaration of emergency in connection with the needle exchange program.