

Amendment of the Whole
In Board
11/18/08

FILE NO. 081349

RESOLUTION NO.

1 [Commending the Blue Ribbon Panel and urging all City Departments to endorse the eight
2 recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel]

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4 **Resolution commending the work of the Blue Ribbon Panel and urging all City**
5 **Departments to endorse the eight recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel.**

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7 WHEREAS, St. Luke's Hospital ("SLH") is a full-service licensed acute care hospital
8 that has served the lower Mission and South of Market neighborhoods of San Francisco since
9 1912; and,

10 WHEREAS, The southeastern neighborhoods served by SLH have been designated
11 by the federal government as Medically Underserved Areas since 1982; and,

12 WHEREAS, There is a national healthcare crisis with a high and growing rate of
13 uninsured citizens, diminishing capacity in primary care, and a broken system of health care
14 financing; and

15 WHEREAS, The crisis has threatened the viability of St. Luke's Hospital, a venerable
16 institution with a history and mission of serving those in need; and,

17 WHEREAS, Leaders in health, labor, business, governance, community, physicians
18 and staff at St. Luke's, through the Blue Ribbon Panel ("BRP") process, recommend that the
19 California Pacific Medical Center ("CPMC"), the largest private health system in San
20 Francisco, continue to support St. Luke's mission, rebuild St. Luke's, and integrate this
21 campus into CPMC's health care system; and,

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25 Supervisors Alioto-Pier, Ammiano
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco recognizes the power and
2 necessity of public private partnerships so that every San Franciscan has access to quality,
3 affordable healthcare; and,
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5 WHEREAS, The Board of Directors of CPMC has, in its resolution of September 25,
6 2008, committed to revitalize St. Luke's as an essential part of health care delivered to South
7 of Market communities, in partnership with the City and County of San Francisco and other
8 community providers, and as a component of CPMC's City-wide Long Range Development
9 Plan (LRDP); and,

10 WHEREAS, CPMC adopted the Blue Ribbon Panel's preferred site option, as a portion
11 of San Jose Avenue running through the St. Luke's campus, and currently under the
12 ownership and control of the City of San Francisco; and,

13 WHEREAS, CPMC has responded promptly to the Board of Supervisor's request, in
14 resolution 148-08 adopted April 1, 2008, to maintain acute services at St. Luke's Hospital;
15 now therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
17 expresses its sincere appreciation to the members of the Blue Ribbon Panel, members of the
18 Community Outreach Taskforce, BRP Chair Stephen Shortell, PhD, MPH, BRP Vice-Chair Rt.
19 Rev. Marc Andrus, BRP facilitator Father John Golenski, BRP facilitator Nancy Shemick,
20 Mitchell Katz, MD, Director of the SF Department of Public Health, and members of the St
21 Luke's and CPMC medical staffs for working collaboratively to reach consensus
22 recommendations for St. Luke's Hospital and all San Franciscans; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors endorses the findings adopted
24 by the Blue Ribbon Panel on July 2, 2008 for the rebuilding of St. Luke's Hospital to serve its
25 community and the integration of St. Luke's as part of the CPMC system and urges the City

1 and County and the CPMC Board to work with each other and with all stakeholders to
2 implement its findings quickly and responsibly, to meet seismic deadlines, and to support the
3 critical mission of St. Luke's and the City's public health care delivery system ; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco take such actions
5 as necessary regarding the disposition of San Jose Avenue to accommodate the hospital at
6 St. Luke's.

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