

1 [Participation Agreement - California Mental Health Services Authority - Tech Suite Mental
2 Health Services Act Innovation Program - Not to Exceed \$1,197,821]

3 **Resolution authorizing the Director of Health to enter into a participation agreement**
4 **between San Francisco Department of Public Health Behavioral Health Services and**
5 **the California Mental Health Services Authority, for the Tech Suite Mental Health**
6 **Services Act Innovation Program for the development of technology-based mental**
7 **health solutions intended to increase access to mental health support to underserved**
8 **communities, for an amount not to exceed \$1,197,821 for the term of June 1, 2019,**
9 **through June 30, 2022.**

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11 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health, Behavioral Health
12 Services (DPH BHS) is a member of the California Mental Health Services Authority
13 (CalMHSA), a joint powers authority created to perform administrative and fiscal services on
14 behalf of its members; and

15 WHEREAS, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) added Section 5840 to the
16 California Welfare & Institutions Code, providing for, among other things, prevention and early
17 intervention programs; and

18 WHEREAS, CalMHSA has established an MHSA prevention and early intervention
19 Innovation Program, the Tech Suite Innovation Program, intended for the development of
20 technology-based mental health solutions which increase access to mental health support to
21 underserved communities; and

22 WHEAREAS, CalMHSA members may participate in the Tech Suite Innovation
23 Program by entering into a Participation Agreement with CalMHSA, for an initial term of three
24 years with an option to extend to a maximum of five years, with approval by the Mental Health
25 Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC); and

1 WHEREAS, DPH has obtained approval from the MHSOAC, which reviews and
2 approves county Innovations Programs, for DPH BHS to participate in the Innovation
3 Program, which will fully fund the City’s funding obligation; and

4 WHEREAS, DPH BHS will utilize MHSA funds to fulfill its funding obligation for this
5 agreement; and

6 WHEREAS, CalMHSA will provide overall administrative oversight and contract
7 procurement for the Tech Suite Innovation Program; and

8 WHEREAS, DPH intends to participate in the following Tech Suite Innovation
9 Program Suite components: Virtual Peer Chat, Virtual Evidence Based Therapy, Community
10 Engagement and Outreach, and Outcomes Evaluation; and

11 WHEREAS, DPH’s funding obligation for the initial three-year term is \$1,197,821,
12 which will be transferred to CalMHSA annually as follows: Year One, \$589,572; Year Two,
13 \$304,125; and Year Three, \$304,124, as detailed in the Participation Agreement; and

14 WHEREAS, DPH may withdraw from the Tech Suite Innovation Program upon six
15 months’ written notice, including reimbursement to DPH of unused Program funds; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors authorizes DPH BHS’s participation in the
18 CalMHSA Tech Suite Innovation Program for a three-year term, with an option to extend to a
19 maximum of five years, and a total amount not to exceed \$1,197,821; and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director of Health is authorized to sign the CalMHSA
21 Participation Agreement, in consultation with the City Attorney, on behalf of the City and
22 County of San Francisco.

23 RECOMMENDED:

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25 Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health