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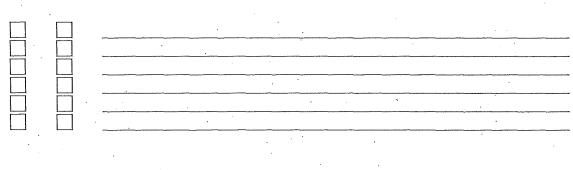
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## **RESOLUTION NO.**

[Commending San Francisco Hep B Free - Bay Area for 12 Years of Community Advocacy and Awareness]

Resolution commending San Francisco Hep B Free - Bay Area on their 12th Annual "Be a Hero" Power of Jade Awards Gala on October 18, 2019, and recommitting San Francisco's efforts to preventing and treating Hepatitis B.

WHEREAS, An estimated 81,000 Bay Area residents are infected with chronic hepatitis B and are likely unaware of their status because the disease is a "silent killer" that often exhibits no symptoms until it is too late; and

WHEREAS, Hepatitis B significantly impacts the Asian Pacific Islander community accounting for 50 percent of Americans living with hepatitis B, despite only making up 5 percent of the total United States population; and

WHEREAS, One out of 12 Asian and Pacific Islander immigrants are infected with chronic hepatitis B and, without treatment or monitoring, one out of four of these individuals will die from liver cancer or liver failure; and

WHEREAS, Hepatitis B is preventable by vaccination and if detected early can be managed and treated to significantly reduce the risk of liver cancer; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Bay Area continues to lead the way in the battle against hepatitis B and liver cancer; and

WHEREAS, At the forefront of this work are organizations such as San Francisco Hep B Free - Bay Area that continue to promote public engagement through innovative outreach strategies including the "Which One Deserves to Die?" billboard campaign, Physician Honor Roll, and Business Initiative; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco Hep B Free - Bay Area continues to fight hepatitis B by raising public and physician awareness, increasing education, offering free community

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screenings and improving linkage to care so that Bay Area residents can better know their hepatitis B status and take measures to prevent or to treat hepatitis infections; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco Hep B Free - Bay Area is expanding its efforts to San Mateo County in order to provide increased access to hundreds of Mongolian residents and Filipino Americans, both populations that are at high risk of infection; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors unanimously supported Resolution No. 184-14 in May 2014 to support efforts "to make San Francisco the first City in America to be free of Hepatitis"; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco's community-led efforts have made progress over the years, there is still significant work left to be done to reach more at-risk communities about hepatitis B prevention and treatment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby recommits our efforts and support for San Francisco Hep B Free - Bay Area and its fight against hepatitis B and liver disease; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges residents to raise awareness about hepatitis and encourage residents to get screened and vaccinated, especially those in Asian Pacific Islander and hard-to-reach communities; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby commends San Francisco Heb B Free - Bay Area for their leadership and advocacy on the occasion of their 12th Annual "Be A Hero" Power of Jade Awards Gala on October 18, 2019.

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