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[Budget and Legislative Analyst Review of Aging in Place Practices and Resources]

Motion directing the Budget and Legislative Analyst to conduct a review of practices and resources that might enable aging adults in the City and County of San Francisco to live in their homes and communities independently. Specific areas of review may include: (1) determining the approximate number of seniors on affordable housing and public housing waitlists in San Francisco; (2) collecting and summarizing demographic information about seniors in San Francisco; (3) reviewing independent living programs and models including shared housing programs, cross-generational aging in place programs, volunteer health advocacy programs, and the non-profit retirement villages model; and (4) providing legislative recommendations for incentives that encourage property owners to make residential upgrades that increase accessibility and safety.

WHEREAS, The U.S. Census estimates that the senior population in San Francisco was 160,169 in 2008, or approximately 20% of the City's population of 798,196; and

WHEREAS, The California Department of Finance projects that the number of seniors in San Francisco will increase by 90,551, or 56.5, percent from 160,169 to 250,720 by 2030; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Human Services Agency's Department of Aging and Adult Services reports that the majority of San Francisco seniors reside in older apartments and houses that may not meet their safety and accessibility needs; and

WHEREAS, The number of assisted living facilities and programs in San Francisco that provide publically subsidized home modification services to address seniors' needs is small

relative to the total senior population, and such assisted living facilities and programs are not anticipated to expand in the near future; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, That the Budget and Legislative Analyst is hereby directed to conduct a review of practices and resources that might enable aging adults in the City and County of San Francisco to live in their homes and communities independently, and to provide legislative recommendations for incentives that would encourage property owners to make residential upgrades that increase accessibility and safety.