[Recognizing Children's Environmental Health Month - October 2021]

Resolution recognizing October 2021 as "Children's Environmental Health Month" in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Environmental hazards in the surroundings of our neighborhoods and communities can affect a child's development, growth and their developmental milestones; and

WHEREAS, Toxins such as lead exposure in the homes and surroundings of children, and pregnant women, can greatly affect child development and can cause long-term harmful health effects; and

WHEREAS, Over 400,000 Californian's are hospitalized for asthma every year – disproportionately impacting children and communities of color; and

WHEREAS, The aim of Children's Environmental Health (CEH) Month is to raise awareness about the importance of clean air and water, safe food and consumer products, healthy environments, and stable climates to children's health and development; and

WHEREAS, A Statewide CEH Month was established on September 1, 2021, through House Resolution 68 (HR 68), by the California State Assembly; and

WHEREAS, CEH Month provides a means to celebrate the progress of the children's environmental health movement and create an even stronger network of child health advocates; and

WHEREAS, CEH Month encourages individuals and organizations to raise awareness and understanding of children's environmental health issues, seek improved protections for all children, and to perform acts of sustainability or environmental health wellness; and

WHEREAS, As part of CEH Month this year, a series of free virtual educational briefings are being organized, bringing together speakers and resources to discuss topics including: Pediatric Asthma; Pesticides and Children's Health; Climate change, Fires, Smoke and Fossil Fuels; and Pediatric Cancer; and

WHEREAS, Children have a right to live, play, learn and thrive in healthy and safe environments, and together we can safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing of this and future generations of children; and

WHEREAS, Together, we can safeguard the health, safety, and wellbeing of our most precious resource: children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco recognizes that environmental hazards impacting the surroundings of children must be addressed; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco do hereby proclaim the month of October as Children's Environmental Health Month and urge all of our communities to observe this month with awareness-raising and environmental health and stewardship activities to create a healthier environment for our children.



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Resolution

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October 26, 2021 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/26/2021 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

11/05/2021

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board