

1 [Substance Abuse Treatment Slots]

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Resolution urging the Department of Public Health to develop a comprehensive plan to create 1,500 additional substance abuse treatment slots.

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WHEREAS, There is a substance abuse crisis, evidenced by an estimated 2,000 to 5,600 persons who have severe addiction dependency living on San Francisco's streets, and more than 1,000 persons with addiction disease on wait lists for necessary treatment; and

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WHEREAS, The Department of Public Health and the Medical Examiner have determined that 65 homeless persons with addiction died on the streets last year; and,

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WHEREAS, There are just 506 residential beds for substance abuse treatment funded by the City and County of San Francisco; and,

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WHEREAS, San Francisco voters have voiced their strong support for progressive substance abuse policies through their overwhelming support for Proposition 36; and,

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WHEREAS, The State Legislative Analyst's Office has concluded in its report on implementing Proposition 36 that there must be a mix of treatment services, and that substance abuse treatment should be expanded to meet prior and increasing demands; and,

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WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors established the Drug Abuse Advisory Board to advise the Board and develop innovative solutions to address this monumental challenge; and,

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WHEREAS, The San Francisco Drug Abuse Advisory Board developed recommendations to the Board of Supervisors that the City now identify funding to create 1,000 residential treatment beds and 500 new outpatient slots to the existing City funded programs for addiction treatment; and,

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1 WHEREAS, This recommendation is consistent with San Francisco's commitment to
2 develop alternatives to incarceration and promote sensible drug policy; and,

3 WHEREAS, The letter containing the recommendation of the Drug Abuse Advisory
4 Board is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 010065 , which is hereby
5 declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and,

6 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors renews its commitment to
7 substance abuse treatment on demand, and expresses its appreciation to the San Francisco
8 Drug Abuse Advisory Board and the Treatment on Demand Planning Council for their work on
9 this important issue; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the Department of
11 Public Health to develop a plan to increase the capacity of governmental and non-
12 governmental organizations to create 1,500 substance abuse treatment slots consistent with
13 the recommendations stated herein; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his Honor, the
15 Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the President of the Health Commission, and
16 San Francisco's federal and state representatives with a request they take all action
17 necessary to find funding to achieve the objectives of this resolution.



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January 22, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Leno, Newsom, Peskin, Yee
Absent: 1 - Sandoval

File No. 010065

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 22, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

February 2, 2001

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, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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