Resolution recognizing the one-year anniversary of Unidos En Salud, a partnership between the University of California San Francisco and the Latino Task Force on COVID-19, and expressing gratitude for lifesaving service to the people of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, On Monday, March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic, unleashing death, uncertainly and bringing the global economy, to a halt, which disproportionally impacted poor and underserved people all over worked, and San Francisco was no exception; and

WHEREAS, Large numbers of immigrant and Latinx people work in essential industries such as food cultivation and production, in retail selling essential goods like food and hardware supplies, and in transportation, and were unable to shelter in place, increasing odds of exposure; and

WHEREAS, From the beginning of the pandemic, the Mission District, a historically Latinx neighborhood had the highest number of positive COVID-19 cases any neighborhood in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, In response to the devastating effect COVID-19 had on the Latinx population in San Francisco, Mission leaders, activists and community organizations founded the Latino Task Force on COVID-19 to support and advocate for the most effected in our city; and

WHEREAS, On April 19, 2020, to better understand the effects of COVID-19 and address the needs of the Latinx population in the Mission, the Latino Task Force on COVID-19 partnered with the University of California San Francisco, a major healthcare provider in
San Francisco, to study why the Latinx community was being so hard hit and to develop a
response, to together form Unidos en Salud; and

WHEREAS, A major goal of Unidos En Salud was to reach the most vulnerable
residents in San Francisco with a culturally and linguistically appropriate program; and

WHEREAS, Unidos en Salud’s first act was to do a study in the Mission and in the
census tract with the highest population of Latinx people in the city, which yielded vital
information about who was getting COVID-19 and major factors contributing to high infection
rates in the Latinx community; and

WHEREAS, The information derived from the Unidos en Salud study was used to
develop critical programs such as Right to Recover, Mission Hub testing, and the test to care
model, used to guide people from diagnosis to recovery in a culturally appropriate way; and

WHEREAS, Unidos en Salud founded and operated the first community vaccination
site in San Francisco that now vaccinates up to 500 people a day, and plays an essential role
in San Francisco vaccine rollout and for recovery; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognizes the vital role
Unidos en Salud has played in recovery of our City and lifesaving programs and resources
they have provided to the Latinx community in San Francisco.
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May 04, 2021 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

File No. 210467

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/4/2021 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

5/14/2021

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.

London N. Breed
Mayor

05/14/2021

Date