[National Health Center Week - August 4 through August 10, 2024]

Resolution proclaiming the week of August 4 through August 10, 2024, as National Health Center Week in the City and County of San Francisco; and recognizing the work of the San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium and its member community health centers.

WHEREAS, Every August, the National Association of Community Health Centers sponsors National Health Center Week to celebrate and increase awareness of America's 1,400 community health centers; and

WHEREAS, National Health Center Week is an opportunity to highlight the commitment and passion of community health center staff and supporters who make it possible to provide quality, comprehensive healthcare services to more than 31.5 million patients across nearly 15,000 communities annually, including San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium (SFCCC) is a partnership of 12 community health centers that collectively serve as the largest primary care safety net delivery system in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, SFCCC cares for over 110,000 patients every year, over 10% of the city's population, specifically those most greatly impacted by systemic oppression; and

WHEREAS, Most SFCCC patients are living at or below 200% of the federal poverty level in one of the most expensive cities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Each of SFCCC's 12 member clinics specializes in providing culturally and linguistically appropriate care to a unique demographic of San Francisco's population including AAPI, Black and African American, Latinx, and LGBTQ+ communities, seniors, individuals struggling with substance use disorder and more; and

WHEREAS, For over 40 years, SFCCC has run two mobile medical outreach programs: Street Outreach Services and Veterinary Street Outreach Services which provide urgent care services to people and animals experiencing homelessness and attempt to connect them with primary care in one of our partner clinics; and

WHEREAS, SFCCC clinics and all community health centers provide essential healthcare services to all patients, regardless of their ability to pay or documentation status; and

WHEREAS, The members of the SFCCC include BAART Community Healthcare, Curry Senior Center, Equity Health, HealthRIGHT 360, Marin City Health & Wellness Center, Mission Neighborhood Health Center, Native American Health Center, North East Medical Services, San Francisco Community Health Center, San Francisco Free Clinic, St. Anthony's Medical Clinic, and Planned Parenthood Northern California as an affiliate partner; and

WHEREAS, The unique board composition of Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), requiring a majority of consumer members, ensures significant patient input in all major business decisions; and,

WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic, FQHCs played a pivotal role in the response efforts by administering and distributing COVID-19 tests, vaccinating community members, and providing therapeutic treatments to hard-to-reach populations; and

WHEREAS, SFCCC centers provide invaluable services to the community by offering access to primary care; helping to prevent and manage illnesses such as various cancers, high blood pressure, diabetes, hepatitis, tuberculosis, and other preventable or treatable chronic diseases; and offering programs to ameliorate the social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, Community health centers excel in managing chronic illnesses, exceeding national standards, and improving patient health outcomes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims August 4 through August 10, 2024, as National Health Center Week in the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognizes the work of the San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium and its member community health centers in providing critical services to the City and County of San Francisco.



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July 30, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen,

Safai and Stefani Excused: 1 - Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/30/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

8/9/2024 Unsigned **Date Approved**

London N. Breed Mayor

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.

8/9/2024

Date