

**Health Commission  
City and County of San Francisco  
Resolution 21-3**

**Honoring Tomás J. Aragón, MD, DrPH**

WHEREAS, Tomás J. Aragón, MD, DrPH has served the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) as an innovative and thoughtful leader between 1996 and 2020; and

WHEREAS, During Dr. Aragón's long tenure with the DPH, he served in the following leadership roles: Director of Chronic Disease Epidemiology, Director of Community Health Epidemiology and Disease Control, Tom Waddell Health Center Urgent Care Physician, Deputy Health Officer, Population Health Division Director, and Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, As Health Officer, Dr. Aragón led the design and implementation of public health programs and policies; ensured the effectiveness of mandated health protection functions of local government; enforced local health orders and ordinances; and communicated regularly regarding public health issues with the Health Commission, Board of Supervisors, Mayor, and San Francisco residents; and

WHEREAS, As Director of the Population Health Division, Dr. Aragón was responsible for the vision, mission, strategy, leadership and administration of the division which implemented the core public health services across the city. This included successfully earning and maintaining public health accreditation for the DPH; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Aragón also has a productive 29-year history the University of California as teaching faculty, principal investigator, and clinician; and

WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Aragón worked tirelessly with City and community leaders to shape San Francisco's response through the development of health orders, ordinances, and guidance, always striving to protect the health of all San Franciscans;

WHEREAS, Dr. Aragón modeled leadership through humility, curiosity, and compassion during his DPH tenure; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Aragón is known to have deep understanding of public health theories and mathematical models in addition to a wealth of on-the-ground community public health experience; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Aragón is a native San Franciscan and proud father; and

WHEREAS, The Health Commission congratulates Dr. Aragón for being named as Director of the California Department of Public Health and state Health Officer by Governor Gavin Newsom.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Health Commission honors Tomás J. Aragón for his many years of outstanding service contributing to the health and wellbeing of all San Franciscans and wishes him well in all endeavors.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its February 16, 2021 meeting adopt the foregoing resolution.

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Mark Morewitz, MSW  
Health Commission Executive Secretary