

HEALTH COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution No. 02-11

HONORING AND ACKNOWLEDGING FLORENCE STROUD

WHEREAS, Florence Stroud, registered nurse, professor, public health researcher and administrator, was a groundbreaking Bay Area public health leader who championed the needs of the poor and People of Color;

WHEREAS, Ms. Stroud twice served as interim Director of the San Francisco Department of Public Health;

WHEREAS, the following is a summary of some of her other accomplishments:

- She was the first African American to serve as Health Director of the City of Berkeley;
- She taught nursing at the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) and was appointed head nurse of pediatrics at UCSF; she conducted research on health disparities and taught cultural sensitivity to health professionals;
- She was Deputy Director of the San Francisco Department of Public Health Community Health Services during the extremely complex and difficult early years of the HIV epidemic; she authored critical guidelines for the prevention of prenatal HIV transmission and the care of mothers, children and infants infected with HIV;
- She was the first registered nurse appointed to the Medical Board of California;
- She was former President of the California Board Medical Quality Assurance and Division of Licensing;
- She served as chairwoman of the California State Black Health Conference and the Berkeley Mental Health Advisory Board;
- She was Director of the Western Addition Early Childhood Education Project;

WHEREAS, Florence Stroud died on November 16, 2010;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Health Commission acknowledges and honors Florence Stroud for her lifelong commitment and dedication to improving the lives of others through her invaluable public health work; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Health Commission conveys its heartfelt condolences to her family.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of February 1, 2011 adopted the foregoing resolution.

Mark Morewitz,
Executive Secretary to the Health Commission