

**Health Commission
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution No. 16-7**

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE 2016 COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

WHEREAS, in 2011, the San Francisco Health Commission and the Mayor's Office have made achieving Public Health Accreditation a priority for the Department of Public Health; and,

WHEREAS, a Community Health Assessment is required to obtain and maintain Public Health Accreditation; and

WHEREAS, the Community Health Assessment is the foundation for each of San Francisco's non-profit hospitals' Community Health Needs Assessments; and,

WHEREAS, the Community Health Needs Assessment is a citywide assessment which, in conjunction with the Community Health Improvement Plan, provides a basis for citywide collaborations with the non-profit hospitals and supplements the Department of Public Health, Population Health Division's Strategic Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Community Health Assessment identifies key health needs and issues in San Francisco through systematic, comprehensive data collection and analysis; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Community Health Assessment was completed in collaboration with community partners through the San Francisco Health Improvement Partnership; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 Community Health Assessment included four components--a community health status assessment, an assessment of prior assessments, community engagement, and a health need identification process; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 Community Health Assessment identified two foundational issues—Economic Barriers to Health, and Racial Health Inequities—which affect health at every level and must be addressed to improve health in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 Community Health Assessment identified seven health needs that heavily impact disease and death in San Francisco -- Psychosocial Health, Healthy Eating, Safety and Violence Prevention, Access to Coordinated, Culturally, and Linguistically Appropriate Services Across the Continuum, Housing Instability/Homelessness, Substance Abuse, and Physical Activity; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 Community Health Improvement Plan will prioritize health needs identified in the Community Health Assessment and adopt objectives and strategies to address the prioritized health needs and foundational issues; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 Community Health Assessment has been presented to the Health Commission;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the San Francisco Health Commission approves and adopts the 2016 Community Health Assessment.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of May 317, 2016 adopted the foregoing resolution.

Mark Morewitz, MSW

Health Commission Executive Secretary