

HEALTH COMMISSION CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO Resolution No. 20-5

HONORING IRENE SUNG

WHEREAS, Irene Sung has served the City and County of San Francisco as a leader and clinician in the Department of Public Health's Behavioral Health Services for 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sung has modeled reflective leadership, encouraging those around her in every position to participate in improving client care, the functioning of BHS, and the larger SFDPH System of Care; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sung leaves a legacy of servant leadership, community collaboration, equity and diversity; while honoring the guiding principle of recovery and wellness that values clients' lived experience and resilience; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sung brought a diverse group of clinicians together, creating a medical community that serves as collaborators while fostering communication across programs in a shared vision of caring for the most vulnerable in our city; and

WHEREAS, Irene modeled a collaborative and inclusive leadership style which leveraged the talents of the BHS workforce to respond to evolving behavioral health needs of San Franciscans; and

WHEREAS, Irene Sung has a special ability to bring diverse groups of people together and honor each individual's unique contributions while respecting differing viewpoints; and

WHEREAS, Irene fostered meaningful relationships with providers, staff, and clients through her genuine nature and powerful ability to connect with the larger community; and

WHEREAS, Irene Sung has served as an encouraging, supportive mentor to the countless staff that she has taught and supervised; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sung led Behavioral Health Services (BHS) with a social justice and equity lens that embodies the core principles of Trauma Informed System through establishing an environment of compassion, empowerment and resilience for both clients and employees of BHS; and

WHEREAS, Irene Sung leaned in to take the reins of Behavioral Health Services as Acting Director in order to steer us on a clear path forward during a time of enormous change and upheaval;

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of February 6, 2020 adopted the foregoing resolution.

Mark Morewitz, MSW Health Commission Executive Secretary