HONORING HEALTH COMMISSIONER JAMES “JIMMY” LOYCE, JR. FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

WHEREAS, James E. Loyce, Jr., was appointed to the San Francisco Health Commission by Mayor Ed Lee in 2016 and will attend his final Commission meeting on January 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Loyce was elected Health Commission President in 2019 after serving as Vice President for one year. During his Commission tenure, he also served as Chair of the Community and Public Health Committee and was a member of the ZSFG Joint Conference Committee; and

WHEREAS, prior to his tenure on the Health Commission, Mr. Loyce dedicated decades of service as a valued Department of Public Health staff member. In 1978, he began working as a substance use counselor and soon became the Assistant Director of the County Office of Drug and Alcohol Services. After a short stint as Director of the Multi-Service Center overseeing services to homeless individuals, Mr. Loyce was promoted as Associate Director of the AIDS Office, administering $50 million of health services, research, and HIV prevention services. Beginning in 1998, he held the role of DPH Deputy Director of Health for nine years; his vast responsibilities included serving as Director of all HIV/AIDS programs and assisting in administering the Department’s $1.2 billion budget across a vast array of innovative public health programs and health delivery systems; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Loyce has also made significant contributions to the San Francisco and Los Angeles social service communities. He moved to Los Angeles to serve as the Chief Executive Officer of AIDS Project Los Angeles, the second largest HIV support organization in the United States, from 1994-1998. After his retirement from the DPH in 2007, Mr. Loyce was appointed as Executive Director of the Black Coalition on AIDS, an organization he co-founded decades earlier. A sampling of his other community involvements include: Metta Fund Board Member, Local Homeless Coordinating Board member, Transgender Law Center Board Member, Hospitality House Board Member, Hunters Point Family Board Member, Co-Chair HIV Planning Council, Founding Member of the African American Healing Alliance, and San Francisco AIDS Foundation Board Member; and

WHEREAS, during his lifetime, Mr. Loyce has contributed in innumerable ways to many underserved communities through effective leadership, empathy, and compassion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Health Commission honors James E. Loyce, Jr. for his many years of dedicated public service and for the impactful contributions he has made to the residents of the City and County of San Francisco.

We hereby certify that at the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of January 21, 2020 adopted the foregoing resolution.

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