

HEALTH COMMISSION

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

RESOLUTION NO. 091-87

RESOLUTION ON THE DISENGAGEMENT PROPOSAL IN THE GOVERNOR'S 1987-88 BUDGET FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Whereas, the Disengagement Proposal would transfer 1/4 cent of sales tax to the County based on an as-yet undetermined formula; and

Whereas, the State would transfer to the counties complete responsibility for one or more health programs which are currently State-defined and managed; and

Whereas, the proposal was prompted by State fiscal constraints due to the State appropriations limit ("Gann" limit -- Article 13B of the State Constitution) which does not take into account the changes in the State's economy, the variation in the use and cost of health care due to the AIDS epidemic and other factors, and the costs of uninsured and Medi-Cal patients which are no longer consistent with the conditions that existed at the time Article 13B was instituted; and

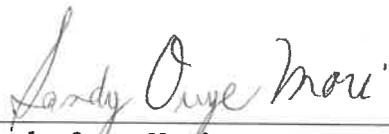
Whereas, while the proposal as it is presently constituted would provide a short-term increase in funding to San Francisco County, Sales tax revenues would not be expected to keep pace with the use and costs of the health care programs transferred, resulting in a loss to the County; and

Whereas, while the proposal provides more flexibility for Counties to develop their own health priorities, it also eliminates the State's obligation to ensure adequate health programs throughout all counties; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Health Commission finds that Article 13B would cause financial difficulties for San Francisco County to provide needed health services to its citizens, and; be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Health Commission continue to assess the effects of the Disengagement Proposal and oppose the currently proposed form because it negatively impacts the County in terms of both its fiscal and health care needs; and recommends that the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor take these concerns into account.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Health Commission at its meeting of Tuesday, April 21, 1987.



Sandy Ouye Mori
Secretary to the Health Commission