

HEALTH COMMISSION
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
RESOLUTION NO. 5-96

**SUPPORTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S REQUEST
TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR SELECT CORE PUBLIC HEALTH
FUNCTIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996-97**

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Department of Public Health to promote a healthy environment, protect and promote the public's health, as well as to ensure access to and provision of essential health services; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health's budget provides funds for both core public health functions, such as epidemiology, child health promotion, regulatory services, as well as for direct health treatment services to San Francisco residents; and,

WHEREAS, analysis of the current budget indicates that only 5% of the Department's total budget of \$735 million is allocated for core public health functions; and,

WHEREAS, needs assessments in the community indicate that additional prevention and regulatory services are needed to promote and protect the public's health; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health has proposed new or enhanced core public health programs in its submission of the FY 1996-97, including the development of a Senior Registry Program, increased funding for the Child Lead Prevention Program, and additional funding to meet the mandate of the regulatory function of the Emergency Medical Services Agency; and,

WHEREAS, the Health Commission recognizes the need to increase core public health capability in San Francisco, and supports these requests in the FY 1996-97 budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Health Commission urges the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to approve the funding requests for the Senior Disaster Registry Program, the expansion of the Childhood Lead Prevention Program, and the increased personnel to support the regulatory functions of the Emergency Medical Services Agency.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Health Commission at its meeting of Tuesday, February 20, 1996.



Sandy Ouye Mori
Executive Secretary to
the Health Commission