

HEALTH COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution No. 13-10

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STRENGTHENING DPH FOOD INSPECTION ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, DPH Environmental Health permits approximately 6,800 food establishments in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, Environmental Health currently has specific positions to conduct inspections of these establishments; and,

WHEREAS, the Environmental Health goal is to conduct two annual routine inspections for every food establishment that prepares food and one annual inspection for other food establishments; it will also conduct inspections as a response to complaints from members of the public; and

WHEREAS, due to staff vacancies, Environmental Health has not been able to reach its goal of conducting two annual routine inspections for every food establishment; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to inspections, the Environmental Health staff provide education and training to food establishment staff and work closely with food establishment operators to ensure that violations are abated properly; and;

WHEREAS, food establishment operators must post the full food inspection report at a location easily visible to patrons but are not currently required to post the inspection score in a public location;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Health Commission urges the Department to fill all vacant food inspector positions as soon as possible; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Health Commission requests bi-annual reports on the Department's success in meeting the mandated minimum number of two formal inspections per year for all establishments that prepare food; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Health Commission requests that DPH report on the actual costs of food inspections and whether the current fee structure is adequate to cover those costs; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Health Commission urges the Department to improve the food safety section of the website to facilitate searching for food establishments by name and neighborhood, and include the current inspection reports and scores for all food establishments.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of October 19 2010 adopted the foregoing resolution.



Mark Morewitz

Executive Secretary to the Health Commission