

**HEALTH COMMISSION
RESOLUTION No 19-9**

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE 2019 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

WHEREAS, in 2011, the San Francisco Health Commission and Mayor Edwin M. Lee made achieving and maintaining Public Health Accreditation a priority for the Department of Public Health; and,

WHEREAS, in March, 2017, the Department of Public Health achieved national Public Health Accreditation; and,

WHEREAS, a Community Health Needs Assessment is required to maintain Public Health Accreditation; and

WHEREAS, the Community Health Needs Assessment is the foundation for each of San Francisco's nonprofit hospitals' Community Health Needs Assessments; and,

WHEREAS, the Community Health Needs Assessment is a citywide assessment which, in conjunction with the Community Health Improvement Plan, provides a basis for citywide collaborations with the non-profit hospitals and supplements the Department of Public Health, Population Health Division's Strategic Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Community Health Needs Assessment identifies key health needs and issues in San Francisco through systematic, comprehensive data collection and analysis; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment was completed in collaboration with the San Francisco Health Improvement Partnership (SFHIP)—a unique cross-sector collaboration with the hospital community benefit leaders, the Hospital Council, the UCSF Clinical and Translational Science Institute, the Department of Public Health, community racial/ethnic health equity coalitions, SF Unified School District, and other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment included four components: a community health status assessment, an assessment of prior assessments, community engagement, and a health need identification process; and,

WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment identified two foundational issues—Economic Barriers to Health, and Racial Health Inequities—which affect health at every level and must be addressed to improve the social determinants of health in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment identified seven health needs that heavily impact disease and death in San Francisco: Psychosocial Health, Healthy Eating, Safety and Violence Prevention, Access to Coordinated, Culturally, and Linguistically Appropriate Services Across the Continuum, Housing Instability/Homelessness, Substance Abuse, and

Physical Activity; and,

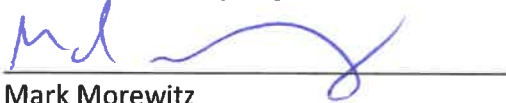
WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Improvement Plan will prioritize health needs identified in the Community Health Needs Assessment and adopt objectives and strategies to address the prioritized health needs and foundational issues; and,

WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Improvement Plan identified gaps in population-based data, such as transgender persons with a known higher burden of illness, and the need to close this data gap in order to protect and improve the health of transgender communities; and,

WHEREAS, the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment has been presented to the Health Commission;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the San Francisco Health Commission approves and adopts the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of May 21, 2019 adopted the foregoing resolution.



Mark Morewitz

Executive Secretary to the Health Commission