

HEALTH COMMISSION CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO Resolution No. 24-15

HONORING BALJEET SANGHA, MPH, FACHE

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha began his career at the Department of Public Health (DPH) as a ZSFG Operations Intern in 2009 while enrolled in a UC Berkeley MPH program. During Mr. Sangha's initial DPH tenure, he served as ZSFG Director of Volunteer Services & Materials Management, ZSFG Associate Administrator in charge of Supply Chain & Materials Management, ZSFG Deputy Chief Operations Officer & Chief Experience Officer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha returned to the San Francisco Health Network (SFHN) in 2021 as the inaugural Chief Operating Officer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha served as the COVID -19 Vaccination Executive Sponsor for the City and County of San Francisco, co-leading a city-wide multi-health system response which championed health equity, that resulted in an 80% vaccination rate of San Francisco residents, well above state and federal averages of other cities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha served as Co-Incident Commander of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Recertification of Laguna Honda Hospital as the country's largest publicly funded skilled nursing facility. His unrelenting dedication to this endeavor was palpable, ensuring successful completion of milestones for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and SF City Attorney's Office Settlement agreement, and ongoing coordination with the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services' Office, California Department of Public Health, San Francisco Mayor's Office, and San Francisco's Federal Congressional delegation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha developed critical SFHN infrastructure leadership hiring and programmatic vision to put the Network on a path to be a fully integrated health care delivery system that meets and exceeds evidence based best practices. This includes growing an Operations division team with inaugural roles that are focused on improving the workforce and care experience for all of areas of the DPH; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha received the 2023 SPUR Good Government Award for his critical work and leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic and the internationally prestigious American College of Healthcare Executives Hudgens Award in 2023, for the top healthcare executive in the country under 40; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sangha's strategic foresight, commitment to equity, and unparalleled ability to forge authentic connections have motivated his team and propelled organizational success. He has been exceptionally dedicated to supporting those from underprivileged backgrounds pursuing healthcare careers and has been a beacon of inspiration and a catalyst for change. His empathy, compassion, dedication, positive outlook, and incredible competence have helped transform the San Francisco Health Network.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Health Commission honors Baljeet Sangha for his many years of outstanding service contributing to the health and wellbeing of all San Franciscans, and wishes him well in his future endeavors.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of September 17, 2024 adopted the foregoing resolution.

Mark Morewitz Health Commission Executive Secretary

