City and County of San Francisco



TERMINATION OF HEALTH OFFICER EMERGENCY DECLARATION

TERMINATION OF DECLARATION OF LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY REGARDING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) BY THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

(LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION) DATE OF TERMINATION: February 28, 2023

WHEREAS, Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the local health officer to declare a local health emergency in the health officer's jurisdiction whenever the health officer reasonably determines that there is an imminent and proximate threat to the public health due to the introduction of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease;

WHEREAS, On February 25, 2020, London N. Breed, Mayor of San Francisco, issued the Proclamation by the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency (the "Mayor's Local Emergency Declaration") under Sections 8550 *et seq.* of the California Government Code, Section 3.100(13) of the San Francisco Charter, and Chapter 7 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, establishing the existence of an emergency within the City and County of San Francisco due to the ongoing spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 or "COVID-19"; and

WHEREAS, On March 3, 2020, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco passed a motion concurring in the Mayor's Local Emergency Declaration and in the actions taken by the Mayor to meet the emergency; and

WHEREAS, On March 4, 2020, Gavin Newsom, Governor of California, issued the Proclamation of a State of Emergency under Section 8625 of the California Government Code and the California Emergency Services Act (the "Governor's Emergency Proclamation"), establishing the existence of a state of emergency throughout California due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, On March 6, 2020, the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco (the "Health Officer") issued a declaration of local health emergency due to COVID-19 (the "Declared Local Health Emergency") pursuant to Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, On March 10, 2020, the Board of Supervisors, by Motion No. M20-38, ratified the Declared Local Health Emergency, also pursuant to Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, The Governor's Emergency Proclamation also waived, for the duration of the statewide emergency proclamation, the 30-day requirement listed in Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code requiring the Board of Supervisors to review the need for continuing the Declared Local Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, On February 28, 2023 the Governor is rescinding the state-wide emergency for COVID-19 under the Governor's Emergency Proclamation; and



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WHEREAS, In light of the State's rescission of its emergency declaration, the Health Officer, based on local conditions—including the seven-day average case rate, the hospitalization rate, the vaccination rate, and the fact that 38% of eligible residents in the City have at this time received at least one dose of the new, bivalent COVID-19 booster formulation and 86% have received a complete initial vaccination series—and the current scientific and epidemiological understanding of the COVID-19 pandemic, has determined that San Francisco remains well-positioned to continue to shift from the emergency nature of the response to the pandemic to longer-term public health strategies and that the Declared Local Health Emergency therefore may end.

NOW, THEREFORE, under the authority granted by Section 101080 of the Health and Safety Code, the Health Officer, effective as of 11:59 p.m. on February 28, 2023, terminates the Declared Local Health Emergency and will provide notice of this termination to the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Issued by:

Susan Philip, MD, MPH, Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco Date: February 28, 2023