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Subject: Please keep the Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee (SDDTAC)
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Dear Commission Streamlining Task Force Members,

I am writing as a San Francisco resident and parent of two kids in San Francisco Unified School District. I would **strongly urge you to keep the Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee (SDDTAC)**. The SDDTAC was created by the will of the voters following Proposition V's passage in November 2016, which established a one-cent-per-ounce tax on sugary drinks distributed in San Francisco. The Committee's role is to ensure that these revenues are used transparently, equitably, and in ways that advance community health and wellbeing.

I want to tell you why this advisory committee is important to me. For my own kids, it has resulted in water access in their schools, funding new hydration stations, flyers, and reusable water bottles. That investment has contributed to a sea change for our own kids in the way that they think about water.

I also have the opportunity to work with community based organizations from the Tenderloin and Bayview-Hunters point through my work. I am struck that these organizations trust the SDDTAC as an advisory board that is in touch with underrepresented and underresourced parts of the city, that is fair, equitable, and transparent in their operations, and that builds bridges. That is a legacy that should be a source of pride for this city, and it is NOT the place to streamline.

The recommendation to eliminate the SDDTAC would undermine public trust and voter confidence in the intent of the legislation approved by San Franciscans. I've witnessed the SDDTAC playing a vital role in ensuring accountability and in elevating the voices of communities most impacted by health inequities.

I urge the Task Force to honor the will of the voters and keep the SDDTAC as an advisory body of transparency, equity, and community engagement in our city's public health efforts.

Sincerely,
Rachel