[National PrEP Day - October 10, 2026]

Resolution recognizing October 10, 2026, as National PrEP (Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis) Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, San Francisco was among the first cities in the world to confront the HIV/AIDS epidemic, with the first cases identified among San Francisco residents in 1981, and the City's LGBTQ+ community, healthcare workers, and activists mobilizing early to care for the sick and demand a public health response at a time when the epidemic was met largely with fear, silence, and neglect; and

WHEREAS, Generations of San Franciscans, and community-based organizations including the San Francisco AIDS Foundation, Project Open Hand, the Shanti Project, San Francisco Community Health Center, PRC, Alliance Health Project, San Francisco LGBT Center, LYRIC, Lyon Martin, Mission Neighborhood Resource Center, Instituto Familiar de la Raza, El/LA Para Trans Latinas, Rafiki Coalition, San Francisco Pride and the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, have led the way in HIV education, prevention, and support services, transforming grief and loss into sustained community advocacy; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco launched the "Getting to Zero" initiative in 2014, a citywide collaboration among the Department of Public Health, community-based organizations, and healthcare providers aimed at achieving zero new HIV infections, zero HIV deaths, and zero stigma, and the City has since seen dramatic declines in new HIV diagnoses due in significant part to expanded access to PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis), including a record-low number of new HIV infections in 2025; and

WHEREAS, PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis) is an oral pill or long-acting injectable medication that, when taken as prescribed, reduces the risk of acquiring HIV through sex by approximately 99 percent and through injection drug use by at least 74 percent; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the first PrEP medication in 2012, and approved the first long-acting injectable option for PrEP in 2021, expanding choices for people who may struggle to take a daily pill; and

WHEREAS, Despite PrEP's demonstrated effectiveness, only about one in four people in the United States who could benefit from PrEP are currently using it, and more than 100 new HIV infections continue to occur across the country each day due to a combination of awareness gaps, social stigma, and cost or access hurdles; and

WHEREAS, PrEP uptake continues to lag most severely among Black and Latino communities, cisgender women, transgender people, and communities in the South, reflecting persistent gaps in access, affordability, and awareness that disproportionately affect communities already facing health inequities; and

WHEREAS, National PrEP Day was established on October 10, 2025 as the first annual observance of its kind, drawing support from HIV prevention advocates, healthcare providers, LGBTQ+ leaders, and community organizations across the country with the goal of increasing PrEP usage nationwide; and

WHEREAS, National PrEP Day serves as both a celebration of the scientific and medical progress that has made ending new HIV transmissions achievable, and a call to action to ensure that prevention is accessible, affordable, and free of stigma for everyone who needs it; and

WHEREAS, National health entities like the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, research and development institutions in the private sector, including Gilead Sciences, ViiV Healthcare and Merck, and leading community organizations such as

NASTAD, Planned Parenthood, AIDS United, Prep4All and the Human Rights Campaign continue to support PrEP research, access, and public education as part of the broader effort to end the HIV epidemic; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has long been a national leader in HIV prevention and care, and continues to advance access to PrEP, testing, and treatment as part of its ongoing commitment to ending the HIV epidemic locally and setting an example for cities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco's robust, stable funding for City Clinic, Ward 86, the Health Access Points, and the broader public-health safety net are critical to maintaining and expanding access to PrEP for community members most at risk of HIV; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby recognizes October 10, 2026, as National PrEP Day; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the healthcare providers, advocates, and community organizations working to expand equitable access to HIV prevention, and reaffirms the City's commitment to ensuring that all residents, regardless of income, housing status, insurance status, race, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, can access the tools needed to prevent HIV transmission.

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October 06, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/6/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Daniel Lurie
Mayor

10/16/2026

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

10/16/2026

Date