



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco Human Services Commission traditionally recognizes important opportunities to raise awareness in an effort to increase public health in our City; and

WHEREAS, at \$80 to \$100 per month, the cost to diaper a child can be prohibitively expensive and force families to cut back on other essentials; and

WHEREAS, 47 percent of American families with young children struggle with diaper need, which is the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy and dry; and

WHEREAS, diaper need adversely affects the health and welfare of infants, toddlers and their families; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that providing diapers can improve the health and financial stability of San Francisco's lowest-income families, the City and County of San Francisco have partnered with the nonprofit organizations Help a Mother Out to create the San Francisco Diaper Bank, the first and only publicly-funded diaper bank in the nation, providing a full supply of diapers each month to families receiving SFHSA benefits who have children under the age of two; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Diaper Bank has distributed over 18 million diapers since its inception in 2015, supporting low-income families' health and well-being and forging stronger community connections; and, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Human Services Commission proclaims September 24 to September 29, 2024 Diaper Need Awareness Week in San Francisco.

SCOTT KAHN, President

San Francisco Human Services Commission

