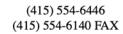
2	Motion to urge the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and San Francisco Mayor
3	London Breed to support Senate Bill 953
4	WHEREAS, The San Francisco Youth Commission is a chartered body in the
5	City and County of San Francisco implying the voice of youth in government spaces;
6	and
7	WHEREAS, Senate Bill 953 would permit the addition of menstrual products to
8	the schedule of covered benefits under the Medi-Cal program, and would require the
9	Medi-Cal department to seek any necessary federal approvals to implement this
10	coverage; and
11	WHEREAS, the Youth Commission prioritizes health access and supports the
12	right to accessible menstrual products; and
13	WHEREAS, Menstrual products are necessities, but period poverty prevents
14	many low-income individuals and youth from being able to easily access menstrual
15	products; and
16	WHEREAS, the Youth Commission has worked to address the mental health of
17	youth for many years as shown in our 2022-2023 Budget and Policy Priorities, and
18	believes it is vital that all students are able to access the materials they need, including
19	menstrual products, for personal success; and therefore be it
20	MOVED, that the San Francisco Youth Commission urges the San Francisco
21	Board of Supervisors and San Francisco Mayor London Breed to support Senate Bill
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[Motion to Submit Letter of Support for SB 953]

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3	Supplemental Information:
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March 24th, 2024

Senator Caroline Menjivar Capitol Office 1021 O Street, Suite 6720 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Support of the addition of menstrual products to the schedule of covered benefits under the Medi-Cal program

Dear the Office of Senator Caroline Menjivar,

On behalf of The San Francisco Youth Commission. I am writing to express our support for your bill, SB 953 (Menjivar). SB 953 would permit the addition of menstrual products to the schedule of covered benefits under the Medi-cal program, and would require the Medi-Cal department to seek any necessary federal approvals to implement this coverage.

The Youth Commission is a body of 17 youth from San Francisco between the ages of 12 and 23. Created by the voters under a 1995 amendment to the City Charter, the commission is responsible for advising the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor on policies and laws related to young people. The Youth Commission is also charged with providing comment and recommendation on all proposed laws that would primarily affect youth before the Board takes final action.

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The Youth Commission prioritizes health access and supports the right to accessible menstrual products. Menstrual products are necessities, but period poverty prevents many low-income individuals and youth from being able to easily access menstrual products. In turn, this affects the mental health of developing youth. The Youth Commission has worked to address the mental health of youth for many years as shown in our 2022-2023 Budget and Policy Priorities, and believes it is vital that all students are able to access the materials they need, including menstrual products, for personal success. Thank you for your continued leadership on this pressing concern for youth.

Sincerely,			

Ewan Barker Plummer, Chair

Adopted 04/01/2024

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