



August 12, 2009

President Ron Miguel  
San Francisco Planning Commission  
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400  
San Francisco, CA 94103-2479

Dear President Miguel and Members of the Planning Commission:

I write to express the American Cancer Society's complete support for California Pacific Medical Center's (CPMC) Institutional Master Plan, which is up for consideration.

The American Cancer Society is a nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service. We work closely with CPMC in meeting the needs of cancer patients in San Francisco and beyond.

CPMC is known nationally for quality and safety as recognized by the Leapfrog Group, we are so fortunate to have one of the leading health care facilities located in our city. CPMC has done so much to assist low-income, uninsured and underinsured women in our community. Their African American Breast Health Program and the newer Sister-to-Sister Program has reached out to countless women to provide free mammography and treatment for the underinsured and uninsured.

Throughout the years, CPMC has been there to support the Society in our mission to prevent and diminish suffering from cancer. Through the Women's Health Resource Center and the Community Health Clinic, CPMC has offered countless classes and counseling to those who wish to prevent cancer and those living with the effects of cancer.

We applaud their dedication and service to our community and we are thankful for their support. We believe CPMC to be an asset to San Francisco's health and applaud its Institutional Master Plan for its commitment to providing "state-of-the-art" medical services and also focusing on preventative medicine.

**The American Cancer Society strongly supports CPMC's Institutional Master Plan and encourages the Planning Commission to approve the project, thus investing in San Francisco's health care future.**

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Chae".

Michael Chae  
Regional Vice President  
Greater Bay Area / Redwood Empire Region

Cc: President David Chiu, San Francisco Board of Supervisors