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President Ron Miguel
San Francisco Planning Commission
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400
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Dear President Miguel and Members of the Planning Commission:

I wish to express Operation Rainbow's gratitude for our partner in California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC). Operation Rainbow sends teams of surgeons and support personnel mostly to Central and South America to operate on needy children and bring new techniques to the local doctors. We've have been doing this for the last 20 years and from the start CPMC has been there to help us where possible. Several of our volunteers, doctors and nurses are connected with CPMC and in fact it was Dr. Taylor Smith, a CPMC affiliated physician who started the program in San Francisco.

CPMC has helped Operation Rainbow by providing space in their warehouses for us to keep our equipment and supplies. It is safe to say that without that, we would not be able to send 7 teams per year and help hundreds of patients.

As a CPMC partner in delivering care to the underserved we join other non profits in supporting their plans to rebuild their hospital to continue in their mission to serve those patients here in San Francisco and the Bay Area.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration,

Sincerely,

Cc: San Francisco Board of Supervisors