



March 4th, 2026

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
1236 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Support for the San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's (HSH's) FY 2027 Community Project Funding Request— MSC South Capital Improvements

Dear Speaker Emerita Pelosi,

I am writing in support of the San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's (HSH's) \$2.73 million FY 2027 Community Project Funding Request for Capital Improvements at MSC South shelter.

The City and County of San Francisco has significantly invested in our Homelessness Response System over the past several years, including expanding both permanent supportive housing and shelter capacity. Despite this expansion, we still have critical unmet needs.

One of the most critical components of San Francisco's shelter portfolio is MSC South, a legacy site in a city-owned building that has been operated by St. Vincent de Paul Society of San Francisco since 1985. Located at 525 5th Street, MSC South is one of the largest shelters in Northern California and serves up to 329 people each night.

In 2018, a seismic evaluation of MSC South resulted in a Seismic Hazard Rating of 4, indicating high likelihood of a partial or total collapse in the event of an earthquake. Due to the high cost of seismic retrofitting an aging building, conceptual planning is needed for a new and more functional adult emergency shelter site that would include demolition of the existing building and design of a new structure. The new adult emergency shelter will be programmed and designed to better serve people experiencing homelessness in a seismically safe and modern building, without reducing current shelter capacity. More urgently, MSC South requires a roof replacement to continue the program in a water-tight structure.

This funding would support continued operations of MSC South while safeguarding the health and safety of hundreds of unhoused San Franciscans who rely on this critical shelter resource. Thank you for your consideration and unwavering leadership.

All my best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Lurie", written over a white background.

Daniel Lurie
Mayor of San Francisco