Proposition B

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the voters to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to allow City employees who qualify to take leave for the birth or placement of the same child to each receive the maximum amount of paid parental leave for which they qualify, and to permit City employees to retain 40 hours of accrued sick leave at the end of paid parental leave, at an election to be held on November 3, 2015.

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 3, 2015, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by revising Sections A8.365, A8.365-1, A8.365-2, A8.365-3, and A8.365-4, to read as follows:

NOTE: Unchanged Charter text and uncodified text are in plain font.

Additions are <u>single-underline italics Times New Roman</u> font

Deletions are *strike-through italics Times New Roman font*.

Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Charter subsections.

A8.365 COMPENSATION DURING PARENTAL LEAVE

Under federal, state and local law, employees are entitled to take an unpaid leave of absence in the event of pregnancy disability or to care for a child after birth or placement for adoption or foster care. But employees may not have the financial resources to take advantage of this leave. This section provides compensation to supplement state disability insurance payments, paid sick leave, compensatory time, and other forms of paid leave, to ensure that an employee will receive the equivalent of the employee's salary for 12 weeks, or, if the employee is temporarily disabled by pregnancy, up to 16 weeks, while on approved leave.

In accordance with this section, eligible employees on approved Parental Leave shall receive <u>S</u>supplemental <u>C</u>compensation as set forth herein

Nothing in this section shall be construed to expand, reduce or otherwise affect the total amount of leave time available to employees under federal, state, or local law, Civil Service Commission rules, or applicable memoranda of understanding between the City and County of San Francisco and employee organizations. This section is intended to supplement other available sources of income during specified periods of leave to which the employee is otherwise eligible. Except for leave mandated by law, requests for leave continue to be subject to the approval of the appointing officer.

A8.365-1 DEFINITIONS

The following words and phrases as used in this section, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall have the following meaning:

"Domestic Partner" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Administrative Code Section 62.1 et seq.

"Employee" shall mean any person who is appointed to a position created by or which is under the jurisdiction of the City and County, whose compensation is paid by the City and County, and who is under the control of the City and County as to employment, direction and discharge and does not include persons who occupy classified or certificated positions with the San Francisco Unified School District or the Community College District or who work for the City as independent contractors.

"Paid Leave" shall mean all paid time-off provided by the Charter, the Administrative Code, the Civil Service Rules or through a collective bargaining agreement and shall include but not be limited to vacation, sick leave, compensatory time, administrative or executive leave and floating holidays. For purposes of this section, "Paid Leave" shall not include statutory holidays.

"Parental Leave" shall mean (a) Family Medical Leave as defined below; (b) Temporary Pregnancy Disability Leave as defined below:

- (a) "Family Medical Leave" shall mean leave taken pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, the California Family Rights Act, or Civil Service Commission Rules, where such leave is taken after the birth of a child to the *Ee*mployee, the *Ee*mployee's spouse or the \underline{Ee} mployee's \underline{De} omestic \underline{Pp} artner or for placement of a child with the Eemployee's family for adoption or foster care, and has been requested and approved in accordance with the procedures set forth in those respective statutes or rules, except to the extent that those statutes, rules, or any associated regulations allow an employer to limit leave to a combined total maximum duration if more than one employee qualifies to take leave for the birth or placement of the same child. Charter Sections A8.365 through A8.365-4 are intended to provide each Employee the maximum duration of Parental Leave to which he or she would otherwise be entitled under its provisions, regardless of the amount of leave taken by another Employee for the birth or placement of the same child.
- (b) "Temporary Pregnancy Disability Leave" shall mean disability leave taken in accordance with State law or the Civil Service Commission Rules because of an *Eemployee*'s inability to work, as certified by a health care provider, for reasons of pregnancy, childbirth, or related conditions, as defined by the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, Govt. Code Section 12945. (b)(2) et seq.

"Supplemental Compensation" shall mean compensation paid by the City to eligible <code>Ee</code>mployees on Parental Leave. The amount of Supplemental Compensation shall be the <code>Ee</code>mployee's regular base wage less (1) <code>all</code> accrued <code>Pp</code> aid <code>L+</code> eave from the City <code>with the exception of 40 hours of sick leave</code> and (2) any payments received by the <code>Ee</code>mployee from a federal, state or other local government agency in lieu of compensation.

A8.365-2 ELIGIBILITY

The following \underline{E} employees shall be eligible to receive compensation as set forth herein:

(a) Permanent, provisional, and exempt *E*employees whose normal work week is not less than *twenty-{20}* hours upon completion

of six months of continuous service; and

(b) All other <u>E</u>employees of the City and County of San Francisco, including "as needed" <u>E</u>employees, who have worked <u>one thousand and forty1040</u> hours-(1040) in the <u>twelve</u> (12) months prior to the beginning of the <u>P</u>parental <u>L</u>leave and whose average work week is not less than <u>twenty20</u> hours.

A8.365-3 DURATION

Employees shall receive <u>S</u>supplemental <u>C</u>compensation as set forth herein for a period not to exceed <u>twelve 12</u> weeks while on approved Family Medical Leave. Employees who take approved Temporary Pregnancy Disability Leave shall receive up to an additional <u>four 4</u> weeks of compensation. Such compensation shall be subject to the conditions set forth in Section A8.365-4.

A8.365-4 SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION

- (a) Employees shall receive their regular base wage while on approved Parental Leave subject to the following conditions;
- (1) Employees on approved Parental Leave shall first exhaust all accrued <u>Ppaid Leave</u>, <u>with the exception of 40 hours of sick leave</u>, before receiving any Supplemental Compensation-<u>under this section</u>. <u>Alternatively, If if an Eemployee</u> chooses not to exhaust <u>these accrued</u> leaves; <u>as required by the previous sentence</u>, the total amount of <u>thebenefit Supplemental Compensation</u> for which the <u>Eemployee</u> would otherwise <u>have been be</u> eligible will be reduced by the <u>total</u> amount of <u>accrued Ppaid Leave accrued by</u> the <u>Eemployee chooses to retain, with the exception of 40 hours of accrued sick leave</u>. <u>as of the start of the leave</u>.
- (2) The amount of Supplemental Compensation shall be reduced by any payments received by the *Eemployee* from a federal, state or other local government agency while on Parental Leave.
- (3) Supplemental Compensation shall be provided for no more than twelve 12 weeks, in the case of Eemployees taking Family Medical Leave, or sixteen 16 weeks, in the case of Eemployees who take Temporary Pregnancy Disability Leave. For Eemployees eligible for both Family Medical Leave and Temporary Pregnancy Disability Leave, Supplemental Compensation shall be provided for no more than 16 sixteen weeks total. The 12 twelve-or 16 sixteen week period shall be reduced by any Ppaid Lieave taken by the Employee: (A) after the birth of a child to the Eemployee, the Eemployee's spouse, or the Eemployee's Ddomestic Ppartner; (B) after placement of a child with the Eemployee's family for adoption or foster care; or taken (C) for temporary pregnancy disability, within twelve12 months prior to the commencement of Parental Leave as defined herein.
- (4) Under no circumstance shall an <u>E</u>employee receive from the City <u>S</u>supplemental <u>C</u>eompensation <u>under this Charter section</u> which would result in an <u>E</u>employee receiving total compensation while on Parental Leave which is greater than the <u>E</u>employee's regular base wage.
- (b) During <u>P</u>parental <u>L</u>leave, the City shall continue to pay the contributions required by this Charter for retirement and health benefits, and any employer-paid <u>E</u>employee retirement and health contributions required under the memorandum of understanding or unrepresented ordinance covering the <u>E</u>employee. Retirement contributions shall be based on the actual amount of City pay received during the period of <u>P</u>parental <u>L</u>leave.
- (c) The amendment of this Section A8.365-4 approved at the November 3, 2015 election shall apply only to Employees who have not yet begun Parental Leave on the effective date of the amendment, or who have begun Parental Leave but have not yet exhausted all of their accrued sick leave on the effective date of the amendment.