

1 [Community Gardening Weekend - August 9-12, 2012]

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3 **Resolution welcoming the members of the American Community Gardening**
4 **Association to San Francisco for their 33rd National Conference and proclaiming**
5 **August 9-12, 2012, as Community Gardening Weekend in the City and County of San**
6 **Francisco.**

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8 WHEREAS, The 2012 American Community Gardening Association (ACGA)
9 Conference will be held for the first time in San Francisco on August 9 – 12, 2012; and

10 WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works is helping coordinate this event which
11 brings together hundreds of individuals from across the United States, Canada, and abroad,
12 who are engaged in all aspects of gardening and greening; and

13 WHEREAS, The San Francisco conference will include research presentations,
14 keynote speakers, state-of-the-art hands-on workshops, cooking classes, and guided tours to
15 San Francisco’s distinctive urban community gardens around the City; and

16 WHEREAS, The conference features a full-day pre-conference workshop titled “Think
17 Outside the Plot”, co-sponsored by San Francisco Parks Alliance and the San Francisco
18 Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR), which will focus on the food system –
19 from production through waste – with the seasonal cycle of a community garden providing a
20 launching point for a discussion of broader issues; and

21 WHEREAS, Conference sessions will focus on many topics such as soil management,
22 bugs and pesticide reform, farmer’s markets, transforming land issues, seed libraries, vertical
23 gardening, aquaponics, and gardening in underserved communities; and

24 WHEREAS, San Francisco is honored to be selected to host this year’s ACGA
25 Conference as we not only have so much to offer on the subject of community gardening, but

1 we can inspire folks with our ground-breaking and much emulated environmental practices,
2 our cutting edge urban agriculture legislation and with our approach to engaging the
3 community; now therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors welcomes participants of the American
5 Community Gardening Association to our City; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims August 9th through
7 August 12th, 2012 as Community Gardening Weekend in San Francisco.

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