

1 [Public Works Week - April 20-25, 2015]

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3 **Resolution commending the men and women of San Francisco Public Works and**
4 **declaring April 20-25, 2015, as Public Works Week in the City and County of San**
5 **Francisco.**

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7 WHEREAS, It is the mission of San Francisco Public Works to improve the quality of
8 life in San Francisco by partnering with the community and providing outstanding public
9 service; and

10 WHEREAS, Public Works' programs and services, provided 24 hours a day, seven
11 days per week, are an integral part of the everyday lives of our residents, workforce, and
12 visitors; and

13 WHEREAS, During the past year, Public Works produced significant achievements that
14 include the opening of the new Public Safety Building funded by the voter approved
15 \$412,000,000 2010 Earthquake Safety and Emergency Response Bond Program, which also
16 pays for improvements to neighborhood firehouses and to the emergency water supply
17 system; completion of the Castro Streetscape and the Polk Street Bikeway improvement
18 projects; paving of a record high 913 City blocks, due to the infusion of funding from the voter
19 approved \$248,000,000 Road Repaving and Street Safety Bond Program; starting the Night
20 Market at UN Plaza to activate the historic space; launching the Tenderloin Pit Stop, a Public
21 Toilet Program that has shown measurable success and provides a safe, clean, and private
22 alternative for people who need a bathroom; and initiating new apprenticeship programs to
23 provide job training and create jobs particularly for San Francisco residents; and

24 WHEREAS, Public Works has spearheaded Giant Sweep, a citywide anti-litter
25 campaign, with Mayor Lee and the San Francisco Giants, in partnership with members of the

1 Board of Supervisors, to bring together local schools, residents, businesses, and community
2 groups to create a culture of clean; and

3 WHEREAS, Public Works is implementing goals under its Strategic Plan to achieve its
4 vision of creating a world class public works organization that contributes to making San
5 Francisco a beautiful, livable, vibrant, and sustainable city; and

6 WHEREAS, Public Works is dedicated to community outreach and has provided
7 thousands of volunteers with meaningful neighborhood improvement work in the past year
8 through Public Works' signature volunteer event, Community Clean Team; and

9 WHEREAS, National Public Works Week is a time when Public Works demonstrates
10 what "public works" means by celebrating accomplishments and milestones and holding
11 activities that reinforce partnerships with San Francisco residents, community organizations,
12 and volunteers, such as project tours, equipment demonstrations, open houses, and
13 neighborhood cleaning and greening events; and

14 WHEREAS, During Public Works Week, the agency honors the professional and
15 committed women and men who make daily contributions to public works-related efforts that
16 include designing, operating, and improving the City's infrastructure; graffiti removal, tree
17 planting and maintenance; neighborhood beautification and volunteer clean-ups; street and
18 sewer repair; architecture and engineering services; job training; and street use and mapping
19 services; collectively known as public works; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims April 20-25, 2015, as
21 Public Works Week in the City and County of San Francisco and commends the men and
22 women of San Francisco Public Works and the people they serve; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges San Francisco residents,
24 neighborhood associations, community nonprofits, and merchant organizations to continue
25 working with Public Works to enhance the quality of life in San Francisco.