[Commending the $50^{\rm th}$ Anniversary of Tony Bennett's Recording of "I Left My Heart in San Francisco"]

Resolution commending the 50th Anniversary of Tony Bennett's recording of "I Left My Heart in San Francisco."

WHEREAS, 51 years ago iconic singer Tony Bennett took the stage of San Francisco's famed Venetian Room in the Fairmont Hotel and performed his signature song "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" for the first time; and

WHEREAS, Tony Bennett then recorded the song, which was released in February of 1962, becoming a major hit on the pop singles chart and winning the Grammy Award for Record of the Year; and

WHEREAS, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" was written in 1954 by George Cory and Douglass Cross when Tony Bennett first treated the audience to this rendition of the beloved classic in December 1961, San Francisco Mayor George Christopher and future Mayor Joseph L. Alioto were among those watching; and

WHEREAS, In 1969, the song was adopted by the City and County of San Francisco as one of its official anthems; and

WHEREAS, For many Tony Bennett's version of "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" has generated more love and nostalgia for the Bay Area than all songs, movies and television shows associated with the area combined; and

WHEREAS, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" has become an integral part of San Francisco's cultural landscape and is played after every Giants win in their stadium; and, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the recording of "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" and commends Tony Bennett as a true San Franciscan.



City and County of San Francisco **Tails**

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Ayes: 9 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Olague and Wiener

Absent: 2 - Chu and Mar

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 2/14/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board