

1 [Reaffirming San Francisco’s Commitment to the 14B Local Business Enterprise Program]

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3 **Resolution reaffirming San Francisco’s commitment to the Administrative Code,**
4 **Chapter 14B Local Business Enterprise (LBE) program.**

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6 WHEREAS, San Francisco is one of the greatest cities in the world, renowned for its
7 innovation, diversity, and economic strength, and remains committed to fostering a thriving
8 local business community; and

9 WHEREAS, The Local Business Enterprise (LBE) Program was established under
10 Chapter 14B of the San Francisco Administrative Code to ensure that small and
11 disadvantaged businesses have fair and equitable access to City contracts and procurement
12 opportunities; and

13 WHEREAS, The LBE Program aims to promote economic vitality by increasing
14 participation from local businesses, particularly those owned by minorities, women, and
15 disadvantaged groups, in public contracting; and

16 WHEREAS, Local Business Enterprises (LBEs) are integral to the economic and social
17 fabric of San Francisco, providing essential goods, services, and employment opportunities to
18 local residents while reinforcing the City’s reputation as a global leader in business and

19 WHEREAS, San Francisco LBEs are more likely to be headquartered in the City, hire
20 local residents, provide union wages, and contribute to the well-being and stability of our
21 communities; and

22 WHEREAS, San Francisco values and supports union projects that promote fair wages
23 and safe working conditions and recognizes the importance of requiring Project Labor
24 Agreements (PLAs) to ensure equitable outcomes; and

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1 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 14B, emphasizes the
2 inclusion, support, and prioritization of San Francisco LBEs, Disadvantaged Business
3 Enterprises (DBEs), and Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) in City contracts and
4 procurement processes; and

5 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports the Contract Monitoring
6 Division (CMD) Director in ensuring the fair and equitable implementation of Chapter 14B
7 policies; and

8 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is committed to fostering
9 partnerships that prioritize the inclusion of San Francisco LBEs, SBEs, and DBEs in local,
10 state, and federally funded projects; and

11 WHEREAS, All businesses operating in San Francisco should actively collaborate with,
12 partner with, and include San Francisco LBEs in their purchasing, procurement, and
13 construction efforts to ensure equitable access to opportunities; and

14 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco believes that prioritizing local
15 businesses and residents creates more value and opportunity for the community, strengthens
16 the City's economic foundation, and reinforces its commitment to inclusiveness, expanding
17 opportunities for small businesses, and recognizing that diversity makes us stronger; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors expresses its unwavering
20 support for San Francisco LBEs and their right to work and thrive in the City they call home;
21 and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors calls upon all businesses
23 seeking to operate in San Francisco to actively include, collaborate with, and partner with San
24 Francisco LBEs to the fullest extent possible; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reaffirms its commitment to
2 ensuring that San Francisco LBEs are given primary consideration in City contracts and
3 procurement, that San Francisco DBEs are prioritized for federally funded projects, and that
4 San Francisco SBEs are similarly given first consideration; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports union projects and the
6 signing of Project Labor Agreements to uphold fair wages and strong labor protections
7 throughout the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors reaffirms its
9 belief in the values of inclusiveness, economic opportunity, and diversity as a strength,
10 ensuring that small businesses have access to meaningful opportunities that contribute to the
11 prosperity of San Francisco; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors shall transmit copies of this
13 Resolution to the Office of Contract Administration and other relevant City Departments to
14 ensure its widespread dissemination and implementation.

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