

1 [Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1165 (Gipson) - The California Housing Justice
2 Act]

3 **Resolution supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1165, The California Housing**
4 **Justice Act, introduced by Assembly Member Mike Gipson, to require the California**
5 **Department of Housing and Community Development to develop a finance plan to**
6 **solve homelessness and housing unaffordability, establish the California Housing**
7 **Justice Fund in the General Fund, and require the Legislature to invest an ongoing**
8 **annual allocation in the Fund in an amount needed to solve homelessness and housing**
9 **unaffordability.**

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11 WHEREAS, San Franciscans and Californians know that meaningful action is needed
12 to ensure every resident has a safe, stable, and affordable home; and

13 WHEREAS, Housing affordability is a pressing crisis locally and statewide and is the
14 leading driver of homelessness, rent burden, and housing insecurity; and

15 WHEREAS, While California's leaders invested major one-time resources in housing
16 and homelessness in recent years via bonds and one-time revenue sources, these
17 investments were not ongoing, fell well short of the scale needed, and were not aligned with a
18 comprehensive plan to deliver housing security to Californians; and

19 WHEREAS, Ongoing state investments in housing and homelessness account for less
20 than 0.5% of the state's annual budget; and

21 WHEREAS, The housing affordability crisis is poised to continue to worsen as the
22 Trump administration and Congressional leadership have proposed devastating cuts to
23 federal housing funding; and

1 WHEREAS, Housing affordability significantly impacts the local workforce, including
2 working families and low wage workers, and due to systemic racism disproportionately
3 impacts Black, Indigenous, Immigrant, and People of Color households; and

4 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco relies significantly on State funded
5 assistance to contribute to the capital stack needed to advance 100% affordable housing
6 production and preservation projects; and

7 WHEREAS, California State Assembly Bill No. 1165 (AB 1165) would require the
8 California Department of Housing and Community Development to develop a finance plan to
9 solve homelessness and housing unaffordability, establish the California Housing Justice
10 Fund in the General Fund, and require the Legislature to invest an ongoing annual allocation
11 in the Fund in an amount needed to solve homelessness and housing unaffordability; and

12 WHEREAS, AB 1165, the California Housing Justice Act, is a bold plan to create and
13 protect affordable housing, keep renters stably housed, provide rental assistance to prevent
14 and end homelessness, and offer support services for people with disabilities to stay in their
15 homes; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
17 strongly supports California State Assembly Bill No. 1165 and urges the California Legislature
18 and Governor to enact the bill, to build a strategic roadmap to end the housing and
19 homelessness crisis and making the ongoing investments at the scale needed to solve our
20 housing crisis; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the State of California to
22 recognize the importance of dedicated and sustained state funding in meeting the state's
23 affordable housing needs; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That The San Francisco Board of Supervisors requests the
25 Clerk of the Board to submit a copy of this Resolution to Governor Gavin Newsom, Assembly

1 Member Gipson, Senate President Pro Tem Mike McGuire, Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas,
2 and San Francisco's delegation in the State Legislature - Assembly Member Matt Haney,
3 Assembly Member Catherine Stefani, and State Senator Scott Wiener.