

1 [Comfort Women Day - September 22, 2017]

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3 **Resolution declaring September 22, 2017, as Comfort Women Day in the City and**  
4 **County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, The term "comfort women" euphemistically refers to hundreds of  
7 thousands of women and young girls who were forced into sexual slavery by the Imperial  
8 Japanese Army during its colonial and wartime occupation of Asia and the Pacific Islands  
9 from the 1930s through the duration of World War II; and

10 WHEREAS, This system of sexual servitude was the largest organized system in the  
11 twentieth century; and

12 WHEREAS, Most of these women died but those who survived courageously broke  
13 their silence, therefore aiding the movement against sexual violence during war; and

14 WHEREAS, The International Community has declared sexual violence as a strategy  
15 of war a crime against humanity; and

16 WHEREAS, This system of sexual slavery helped pave the way for systems of sex  
17 trafficking; and

18 WHEREAS, Sex trafficking and sexual slavery during wartime is still going on; and

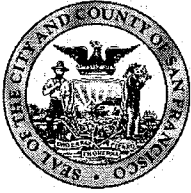
19 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed Resolution 342-15 calling  
20 for the building of a memorial to the comfort women in San Francisco and to educate its  
21 students about the history, past and present; and

22 WHEREAS, The Comfort Women Justice Coalition, a broad coalition of immigrant  
23 communities women's organizations, and 11 human rights groups organized to build the  
24 memorial for "comfort women;" and

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WHEREAS, On September 22, 2017, the statue "Comfort Women: Pillar of Strength" will be unveiled in St. Mary's Square Annex; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That September 22, 2017, be declared a day to honor and remember the Comfort Women.



City and County of San Francisco  
Tails  
Resolution

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

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Date Passed: September 19, 2017

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September 19, 2017 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

Ayes: 8 - Breed, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Sheehy and Yee

Excused: 3 - Farrell, Safai and Tang


September 19, 2017 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 8 - Breed, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Sheehy and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on 9/19/2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

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Unsigned  
Mayor

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9/29/17  
Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

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9/29/17  
Date