

1 [Marina Branch Library reopening]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the Grand Re-Opening of the Marina Branch Library and**
4 **commending the San Francisco Public Library and its team for their hard work and**
5 **commitment to San Francisco and its residents.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Branch Library Improvement Program (BLIP), funded by the bond
8 measure passed in November 2000 by the voters of San Francisco, calls for seventeen
9 branches to be renovated, four leased facilities to be replaced with City-owned buildings, two
10 branches to be replaced with new buildings, and one brand-new branch to be constructed in
11 Mission Bay; and,

12 WHEREAS, The Marina Branch Library has been fully renovated and expanded and
13 will celebrate its grand re-opening on Saturday, August 4, 2007 at 1:00 pm; and,

14 WHEREAS, This 1950's era gem is now seismically safe and fully accessible and has
15 been transformed into a state of the art library designed to serve the neighborhood for many
16 more decades to come; and,

17 WHEREAS, Architectural firms Tom Eliot Fisch and Field Paoli took great care to
18 preserve the modernist characteristics of the single-story, ranch-style building, and retain the
19 1950s feel of the original structure, while bringing the facility into the 21st century in terms of
20 energy conservation, accessibility to all users, changes in library service, and greater visibility
21 in the community; and,

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23 WHEREAS, Highlights of the renovation include an addition at the front of the building
24 with a flexible browsing area for new books and media, a designated teen area, functional
25 staff work spaces, a revamped children's area, an expanded and updated book and materials

1 collection, new restrooms, a new after- hours book drop, a variety of seating choices, more
2 computers, and Wi-Fi access to the Internet; and,

3 WHEREAS, The renovation has been a team effort between the San Francisco Public
4 Library staff and administrators, Department of Public Works Division of Project Management
5 and Bureau of Construction Management, architects Tom Eliot Fisch/Field Paoli, Trico
6 Construction, Library Commissioners, Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, and
7 members of the Marina community who raised funds and helped design the branch to suit
8 their neighborhood's needs; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the San Francisco Public
10 Library, the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, the Department of Public Works,
11 members of the Marina community, and the entire team that made this project so successful
12 for their dedication and hard work; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors invites the public to join the
14 celebration of the re-dedication of the Marina Branch Library on Saturday, August 4, 2007 at
15 1:00 pm at the branch, 1890 Chestnut Street.