

1 [Public Works Week - April 25-29, 2016]

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3 **Resolution commending the men and women of San Francisco Public Works and**
4 **declaring April 25 through April 29, 2016, as Public Works Week in San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, It is the mission of San Francisco Public Works to improve the quality of
7 life in San Francisco through partnering with the community and providing outstanding public
8 service; and

9 WHEREAS, Its programs and services, provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week,
10 are an integral part of the everyday lives of our residents, workforce, and visitors; and

11 WHEREAS, In 2015, Public Works produced a myriad of significant achievements
12 including: the opening of the restored War Memorial Veterans Building, the dedication of the
13 new Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, and The Mix, the new
14 teen center at the Main Library; breaking ground on the new Office of the Chief Medical
15 Examiner funded by the voter approved 2014 Earthquake Safety and Emergency Response
16 Bond program; completing the Taraval Streetscape, 24th Street, and Oak and Fell streets
17 improvement projects; paving of a record high number of 927 City blocks, due to the infusion
18 of funding from the voter approved \$248,000,000 Road Repaving and Street Safety Bond;
19 producing the Night Market and Art Night SF at UN Plaza to activate the historic space;
20 expanding the Pit Stop public toilets to 11 locations, a program that has shown measurable
21 success and provides a safe, clean, and private alternative for people who need a bathroom;
22 and expanding its apprenticeship programs to provide job training and create jobs for San
23 Francisco residents; and

24 WHEREAS, Public Works has spearheaded Giant Sweep, a citywide anti-litter
25 campaign, with Mayor Lee and the San Francisco Giants, in partnership with members of the

1 Board of Supervisors, to bring together local schools, residents, businesses, and community
2 groups to create a culture of cleanliness; and

3 WHEREAS, Public Works implements goals and objectives under its Strategic Plan to
4 achieve its vision to create a world-class public works organization that contributes to making
5 San Francisco a beautiful, livable, vibrant, and sustainable city; and

6 WHEREAS, For more than 15 years, Public Works has organized Community Clean
7 Team events, which has logged more than 165,000 volunteer hours, added more than 33,500
8 plants to public spaces, and removed more than 3.5 million square feet of graffiti; and

9 WHEREAS, National Public Works Week is a time when the agency demonstrates the
10 importance of public works by celebrating accomplishments and milestones, and holding
11 activities that reinforce partnerships with San Francisco residents, community organizations,
12 and volunteers, such as project tours, equipment demonstrations, and open houses; and

13 WHEREAS, During Public Works Week, the agency honors the professional and
14 committed women and men who make daily contributions to public works-related efforts that
15 include designing, operating, and improving the City's infrastructure; graffiti removal, tree
16 planting and maintenance; neighborhood beautification and volunteer clean-ups; street and
17 sewer repair; architecture and engineering services; job training; and street use and mapping
18 services; collectively known as public works; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims April 25 through April 29,
20 2016, as Public Works Week in San Francisco and commends the women and men of San
21 Francisco Public Works and the people they serve; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges San Francisco residents,
23 neighborhood associations, community nonprofits, and merchant organizations to continue to
24 collaborate with Public Works to enhance the quality of life in San Francisco.

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