

1 [Lee Blitch.]

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3 **Resolution commending Lee Blitch for his invaluable contributions to the City and**
4 **County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, Whereas, Lee Blitch has served as President and CEO of the San
7 Francisco Chamber of Commerce for over five years; and

8 WHEREAS, Lee Blitch has been a tireless advocate for small, medium and large
9 businesses, believing that a sound economic policy is the key to creating an exceptional
10 quality of life for all in the City; and

11 WHEREAS, under Lee Blitch's leadership, the Chamber of Commerce has realized
12 several major public policy successes including voter support for rebuilding San Francisco's
13 aging Hetch Hetchy water system, the approval of over 15,000 new units of housing in the
14 downtown area, the writing of the City's first ever economic development plan, the selection
15 of San Francisco as the headquarters for the Center for Regenerative Medicine, and the
16 recognition of the San Francisco Unified School District as one of the best urban school
17 districts in the nation; and

18 WHEREAS, under Lee Blitch's direction, the Chamber of Commerce has developed
19 strategic partnerships with other business organizations, community groups and civic leaders
20 to advocate for improving the economic climate that will bring high wage jobs and greater
21 prosperity to San Francisco; and

22 WHEREAS, Lee's passion for education stems from his belief that an educated
23 workforce is the best way to attract new businesses and to maintain the vibrancy and diversity
24 of San Francisco's economic base and neighborhoods; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lee will continue his educational advocacy as Vice President for
2 University Advancement of San Francisco State University; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby commends Lee
4 Blitch for his invaluable contributions to the City and County of San Francisco.

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