

1 [Intention to Appropriate Cost Savings - \$48,140,000]

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3 **Motion stating the Board of Supervisors' intention to appropriate \$48,140,000 of cost**  
4 **savings to restore critical programs serving children, youth, seniors, families, and the**  
5 **most vulnerable.**

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7 WHEREAS, The City's Annual Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$15.88  
8 billion, with technical adjustments proposed by the Mayor's Budget Office including  
9 passthrough of property tax revenue from the City and County of San Francisco to San  
10 Francisco Unified School District of an estimated \$55 million on a variety of city departments,  
11 resulting in an increase to the Mayor's proposed budget in 2024-2025, a copy of which is on  
12 file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File Nos. 240595 and 240596, and are  
13 incorporated herein by reference; and

14 WHEREAS, The City faced a \$235 million budget deficit for Fiscal Year 2023-2024,  
15 and the City heavily relied on one-time spending to close the budget deficit gap and its  
16 proposed budget of 2024-2025, and projected tax revenue to remain flat in the coming fiscal  
17 years, resulting in the budget deficit's continuing growth to \$780 million by the end of 2026;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, In December 2023, the Mayor and the Mayor's Budget Office proposed  
20 \$75 million mid-year budget cuts for 2023-2024 adopted budget, out of which \$48 million were  
21 services and programming serving youth and families; and

22 WHEREAS, If budgets are a statement of our values, then funding workforce  
23 development ensures a strong economy and robust local growth; funding children, youth and  
24 family services, is an investment in our future prosperity; funding safe and healthy housing

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1 provides stability for our communities; and funding senior services reflects a respect for and  
2 understand of who we are as a society; and

3 WHEREAS, Community based grants funded by the sugary drinks tax in the  
4 Department of Public Health to fund health education, food security, physical activity, school  
5 nutrition programs, student-led access, food access for healthy food, oral health, school-  
6 based education and case management, water access at school and public spaces, physical  
7 activity and wellness, including Peace Parks and equity in outreach and scholarship, lactation  
8 support for families, and capacity building and evaluation, were all reduced by the  
9 Administration and the Board seeks to restore these programs by \$5,400,000; and

10 WHEREAS, Funding to support operations for the Dream Keeper Initiative and other  
11 Transitional Age Youth System of Care (TAYSOC) programs in the Department of Public  
12 Health have been reduced by the Administration and the Board seeks to restore \$1,000,000;  
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14 WHEREAS, Funds supporting workers' rights outreach and education for low-wage  
15 immigrant workers, youth civic engagement and outreach, community arts and culture,  
16 education and engagement, and language access in the Office City Administrator through  
17 Grants for the Arts, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, Arts Commission and  
18 Office of Labor Standards Enforcement were reduced by the Administration and the Board  
19 seeks to restore \$3,760,000; and

20 WHEREAS, Funding for the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs  
21 completely eliminated a two decade long program known as the Community Ambassadors a  
22 longstanding program that deploys ambassadors increasing safety awareness and public  
23 service assistance with cultural and language competency serving residents and visitors  
24 across the City in neighborhoods outside of downtown including Bayview, Visitacion Valley,  
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1 Mission, Sunset, Mid-Market, Tenderloin, Sunset, and Chinatown by June 2025 at a cost of  
2 \$3,300,000; and

3 WHEREAS, Funding for the City's workforce development through Office of Workforce  
4 and Economic Development, Human Services Agency, Mayor's Office of Housing and  
5 Community Development were reduced impacting the job opportunities for young people, low-  
6 income households, and immigrant workers, putting more people at higher risk of  
7 homelessness, and continuing trap of the cycle of poverty were reduced by the Administration  
8 and the Board seeks to restore \$6,600,000; and

9 WHEREAS, Funding from Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development  
10 providing Emergency Rental Assistance; grants for community-based organizations serving  
11 the unhoused; tenant counseling, education, and outreach; women and victim services, and  
12 transgender housing subsidies protecting tenants, vulnerable communities, and preventing  
13 families at risk of homelessness losing their homes were reduced by the Administration and  
14 the Board seeks to restore \$5,000,000; and

15 WHEREAS, Funding to support food access and community based grants to fund  
16 neighborhood based grocery access, especially in the Mission and Bayview Hunters Point  
17 neighborhoods, and other food programs by; and community based grants for homeless  
18 employment services in the Human Services Agency were reduced by the Administration and  
19 the Board seeks to restore \$360,000; and

20 WHEREAS, Funding for Department of Children, Youth and Their Families for robust  
21 programming serving children and youth citywide, such as SF CASA, Sunset Youth Services,  
22 Richmond District YMCA, Buchanan YMCA, Chinatown YMCA, United Playaz/West Bay, and  
23 YouthSF, and other organizations who have been previously funded, including violence  
24 prevention, were high scoring proposals and have been significantly reduced by the  
25 Administration and the Board seeks to restore \$20,000,000; and

1           WHEREAS, Funding to support vulnerable tenants and secure healthy living in Single  
2 Room Occupancy buildings and Code Enforcement Outreach Programs within the  
3 Department of Building Inspection was reduced by the Administration and the Board seeks to  
4 restore \$480,000; and

5           WHEREAS, Funding to support transitional aged youth and subsidies in the  
6 Homelessness and Supportive Housing Department reduced by the Administration and that  
7 the Board seeks to restore; and

8           WHEREAS, Funding to support environmental justice, urban agriculture, and food  
9 justice programming, operations and infrastructure have been reduced by the Administration  
10 and the Board seeks to funds to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission to support this  
11 work; and

12           WHEREAS, Under the direction of the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Appropriation  
13 Committee, the Budget and Legislative Analyst's (BLA) identified General Fund and Non-  
14 General Fund cost savings in Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026; and

15           WHEREAS, Out of the total in BLA reductions, Non-General Fund cost saving  
16 identified for Fiscal Years 2024-2025, and 2025-2026, however these Non-General Fund  
17 dollars are highly restricted in use and have limited ability to support general fund uses; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19           MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors intends to restore funding for these critical  
20 programs that have been significantly reduced in the Mayor's Proposed Budget and intends to  
21 appropriate \$48,140,000 of cost savings to restore funding for these critical programs.

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