

1 [Urging the FCC to Renew KGO-TV Broadcast License]

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3 **Resolution urging the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to fairly evaluate**  
4 **and renew the broadcast license for KGO-TV.**

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6 WHEREAS, KGO-TV, locally known as ABC Channel 7, is a television station owned  
7 and operated by the ABC Television Network, that has been reliably serving the residents of  
8 San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose, and the broader Bay Area community for over 75 years  
9 since its establishment in 1949; and

10 WHEREAS, KGO-TV serves as a critical pillar of local journalism, providing invaluable,  
11 award-winning news coverage, investigative reporting, community-centric programming, and  
12 public safety coordination that keeps millions of Bay Area residents informed, prepared, and  
13 connected; and

14 WHEREAS, KGO-TV acts as a vital lifeline during regional emergencies, offering  
15 essential real-time broadcast during wildfires, earthquakes, severe weather events, and public  
16 health emergencies with timely and accurate information that directly protects communities  
17 and saves lives; and

18 WHEREAS, KGO-TV has consistently demonstrated its deep commitment and  
19 dedication to the public interest through local community outreach, charitable partnerships,  
20 and investigative reporting that holds local institutions accountable; and

21 WHEREAS, On May 28, 2026, KGO-TV filed a broadcast license renewal application  
22 with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) after the FCC accelerated the  
23 application timeline for KGO-TV and seven other ABC-owned stations ahead of its originally  
24 scheduled 2028 deadline; and

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1           WHEREAS, Broadcast journalism must remain free from political interference, arbitrary  
2 regulatory enforcement, and content-based scrutiny that threaten the constitutional rights to  
3 free speech and freedom of the press enshrined under the First Amendment; and

4           WHEREAS, A failure to renew KGO-TV's broadcast license would create a gap within  
5 the local media landscape in the Bay Area, abruptly eliminating a trusted source of local news,  
6 culture, and emergency information and coordination; now, therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
8 commends KGO-TV's dedicated team of journalists, production crews, and staff who serve  
9 the public's interest daily; and, be it

10          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of City and County of San  
11 Francisco urges the FCC to fairly evaluate and renew KGO-TV's broadcast license application  
12 based on the station's decades-long track record of exemplary public service, devotion to the  
13 local community, and careful compliance to the established statutory broadcast standards,  
14 free from external partisan influence; and be it

15          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San  
16 Francisco urges San Franciscans to participate in the public comment process in support of  
17 KGO-TV's broadcast license renewal before July 29, 2026, by visiting [publicfiles.fcc.gov](https://publicfiles.fcc.gov); and  
18 be it

19          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San  
20 Francisco directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution upon passage to  
21 the Commissioners of the Federal Communications Commission, the executive management  
22 of KGO-TV, and San Francisco's Congressional delegation.

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