

1 [Commendation for Laura Ware]

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3 **Resolution commending Laura Ware for 14 years of service at Community Housing**
4 **Partnership and declaring June 30, 2004 Laura Ware Day.**

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6 WHEREAS, Laura Ware has worked to end homelessness in San Francisco for over
7 twenty years, and for fourteen years served the Community Housing Partnership; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Ware co-authored a report on housing and homelessness that was a
9 precursor to the development of large supportive housing projects in San Francisco; and,

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Ware provided vision and leadership in the development and
11 implementation of the Community Housing Partnership's (CHP) successful model for helping
12 people move beyond homelessness, assisting in the development of 243 units of housing to
13 formerly homeless people with support services and employment opportunities; and,

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Ware helped to create the Treasure Island Homeless Development
15 Initiative that facilitates the development of supportive housing for homeless on Treasure
16 Island; and,

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Ware provided leadership in creating the Supportive Housing
18 Employment Collaborative, a coalition of organizations that formerly homeless people find
19 educational and employment opportunities and participated in the development of
20 HomeWorc, a program that helps new employees of nonprofit organizations develop the skills
21 they need for career advancement; and,

22 WHEREAS, Ms. Ware also developed the Community Housing Partnership's
23 employment and training programs that have helped hundreds of formerly homeless people
24 achieve self-sufficiency; and,

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1 WHEREAS, Ms, Ware successfully applied for the nation’s first waiver of the Davis
2 Bacon Act allowing for the Community Housing Partnership to hire tenants to work on the
3 construction of new supportive housing sites; and,

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Ware also served on the Board of Directors of the Coalition on
5 Homelessness and the Central City Hospitality House, as well as a member of the Local
6 Homeless Coordinating Board; and,

7 WHEREAS, For over 20 years, Laura Ware provided leadership, vision and advocacy
8 for the efforts to end homelessness by providing people with decent housing, adequate social
9 services, access to education and employment opportunities; now, therefore, be it,

10 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commend Laura Ware for decades of
11 leadership and service to ending homelessness, and fourteen years of work with the
12 Community Housing Partnership as of June 30th; and, be it,

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declare June 30th, 2004, Laura
14 Ware Day in San Francisco.

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