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1	[National Service Dog Awareness Month - September 2024]
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3	Resolution recognizing September 2024 as National Service Dog Awareness
4	Month in the City and County of San Francisco.
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6	WHEREAS, The bond between humans and canines is not only a source of joy
7	but also a powerful force for transforming lives, fostering inclusivity, and enhancing the
8	well-being of all citizens; and
9	WHEREAS, In the United States, over 64 million adults and children live with
10	disabilities, yet only 16,000 service dogs from accredited training programs currently
11	serve these individuals, highlighting a significant and growing gap between the need for
12	service dogs and their availability; and
13	WHEREAS, Canine Companions, the largest nonprofit provider of service dogs
14	in the country, has provided over 7,200 expertly trained service dogs to people with
15	disabilities since its founding in 1975, significantly enhancing their quality of life and
16	independence; and
17	WHEREAS, Canine Companions empowers people with disabilities by offering
18	service dogs trained to perform over 40 specialized commands, providing ongoing
19	support, and fostering a community dedicated to ensuring successful and lifelong
20	partnerships between service dogs and their handlers; and
21	WHEREAS, National Service Dog Month is dedicated to raising awareness and
22	educating the public about the invaluable benefits that service dogs provide, as well as
23	the federal laws that protect the rights of people with disabilities to be accompanied by
24	their service dogs in public spaces; and

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1	WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is committed to becoming a
2	truly inclusive community, where all residents, including those with disabilities and their
3	service dogs, are recognized, supported, and valued; now, therefore, be it
4	RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors officially recognizes
5	September 2024 as National Service Dog Awareness Month.
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By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp or meeting date I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one): 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment). ✓ 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee. 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee. 4. Request for letter beginning: "Supervisor inquiries" 5. City Attorney Request. 6. Call File No. from Committee. 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion). 8. Substitute Legislation File No. 9. Reactivate File No. 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following: Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission Ethics Commission Planning Commission Building Inspection Commission Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form. Sponsor(s): Stefani Subject: National Service Dog Awareness Month The text is listed: Resolution recognizing September 2024 as National Service Dog Awareness Month in the City and County of San Francisco.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/ Catherine Stefani

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