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1	[Commending Supervisor Dean Preston]
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3	Resolution commending and honoring Dean Preston for his distinguished service as a
4	Supervisor for the City and County of San Francisco, and declaring January 7, 2025, as
5	Supervisor Dean Preston Day in the City and County of San Francisco.
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7	WHEREAS, Supervisor Dean Preston has proudly served District 5 and the City and
8	County of San Francisco for five years as a Member of the San Francisco Board of
9	Supervisors; and
10	WHEREAS, As the first Democratic Socialist elected to the San Francisco Board of
11	Supervisors in over 40 years, Supervisor Preston has approached his role with a steadfast
12	commitment to economic security, racial equity, and transformative change; and
13	WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston is a 30-year resident of District 5, a public school
14	parent, an everyday Muni rider, a former small business owner, and a tireless advocate for
15	affordable housing and universal policies such as social housing, Medicare for All, and public
16	education; and
17	WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston has demonstrated a strong record of championing and
18	delivering solutions to critical issues facing San Franciscans, including tenant protections,
19	housing justice, public transportation, and public safety alternatives; and
20	WHEREAS, Prior to his tenure as Supervisor, Dean Preston worked as a tenant
21	attorney and founded California's only statewide tenant organization, leading the fight to save
22	rent control and championing landmark legislation such as Proposition F (2018) to provide
23	legal representation for thousands of tenants facing eviction; and
24	WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston authored more than a dozen bills protecting tenants

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from pandemic-related evictions, including a groundbreaking law in June 2020 that

permanently removed eviction as an option for COVID-19-related back rent, contributing to a significant drop in evictions; and

WHEREAS, After promising during his 2020 inauguration speech that billionaires were right to oppose him because he was coming for their billions, Supervisor Preston led the effort to tax high-end real estate transactions to fund social housing, raising over \$300 million to date from Proposition I (2020) by taxing the wealthiest real estate investors; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston secured more than \$40 million in local funds for rent relief, the most of any California city, relieving more than 20,000 tenants of crushing rent debt and preventing evictions; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston has led on efforts to build affordable housing in District 5 and citywide, delivering \$112 million through a 2022 budget deal premised on Proposition I (2020) revenues for site acquisitions, affordable housing development including educator housing, and public housing and SRO repairs, while working with state leaders to win historic plans to rebuild the DMV site with affordable housing, and championing over 2,000 new units of housing in District 5; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston spearheaded efforts to acquire sites for housing homeless individuals, including securing 114 units of permanent supportive housing at the Gotham Hotel and an emergency family drop-in shelter at the Oasis Inn; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston has been a national leader in legislative efforts, including passing the only U.S. law to relieve small business owners of pandemic back rent, despite facing legal challenges from commercial landlords; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston wrote and championed the Voter Participation Act passed as Prop H (2022), which consolidated odd and even year elections to increase voter participation on important citywide races including elections for Mayor; and

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WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston led efforts to restore critical Muni lines suspended during the pandemic, prevented fare increases for public transportation, and advocated for safe streets with protected bike lanes, slow streets, and car-free spaces such as JFK Drive; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston has championed alternatives to policing, supporting community ambassadors, crisis response teams, and neighborhood health outreach teams, while consistently opposing excessive increases to police budgets; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston successfully passed a resolution by a supermajority in January 2024 to put San Francisco on record in support of a sustained ceasefire, release of hostages, and massive humanitarian aid in Gaza, putting San Francisco on record as the largest city at the time to call for a ceasefire; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston championed the creation of a Public Bank, wrote and passed legislation to create the Reinvestment Working Group, and then secured approval of the Business and Governance plans produced by the Reinvestment Working Group, setting the stage for San Francisco to access federal green investment funds and to invest our tax dollars in in our communities, housing, and green infrastructure through our own banking institution; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston has, in the face of a Trump presidency and a rising rightward shift, fought tirelessly for working people and their economic prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Preston, along with other progressive members of the Board, received death threats from rightwing technocrats because Preston's politics are progressive and focused on redistribution of resources to those with the most need; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the residents of this City, recognize Supervisor Dean Preston's extensive and unique contributions towards fundamental fairness for low-income and working people of San Francisco, and that his

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1	compassion, moral clarity, and commitment to serve and mobilize the working class
2	movement in a collective effort to reverse centuries of oppression, inequality, and injustice,
3	were critical in a City rocked by gentrification and rising inequality; and, be it
4	FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this Resolution be tendered
5	to Supervisor Dean Preston as a token of the great affection and respect in which he is held
6	by the Board of Supervisors and express to him their appreciation for his high-quality work,
7	their thanks for his presence and their high hopes for his future; and, be it
8	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares January 7, 2025, as
9	Supervisor Dean Preston Day in the City and County of San Francisco.
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Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

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	3.	Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee	
	4.	Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor	inquiries"
	5.	City Attorney Request	
	6.	Call File No. from Committee.	
	7.	Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)	
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	9.	Reactivate File No.	
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Signature of Requestor: CAUVIA