

1 [Sunset Recreation Center Reopening]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the grand reopening of the Sunset Recreation Center and**  
4 **commending the project team of San Francisco Recreation and Park and the**  
5 **Department of Public Works for their hard work and commitment to San Francisco and**  
6 **its residents.**

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8 WHEREAS, Opened in 1940, the Sunset Recreation Center started out as a  
9 playground with a small field house, volleyball, basketball, and tennis courts that were build by  
10 the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and the Work Progress Administration;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, For over 70 years now the Sunset Recreation Center has served one of  
13 the most diverse neighborhoods of San Francisco, offering nearly four-acres of recreation  
14 space that includes a large recreation center with a gymnasium, bleachers, locker rooms, and  
15 storage facilities, as well as community rooms, a ping pong room, two tennis courts, a  
16 basketball court, a baseball field, children’s play areas and a small community garden; and,

17 WHEREAS, in 2008, as part of the \$185 million Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks  
18 Bond, the voters of San Francisco allocated over \$14 million to upgrade and repair this  
19 community treasure so that it continues to provide today’s youth and future generations a safe  
20 and healthy place to play and exercise; and

21 WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Department in partnership with the Department  
22 of Public Works facilitated a strong community design process to create a new state of the art  
23 recreation facility that includes a total renovation of the 18,000 square foot gym and  
24 clubhouse with seismic upgrade, American’s with Disability Act accessibility improvements, a  
25 new sprinkler system and complete replacement of restrooms, doors, windows, roof and all

1 mechanical and electrical systems, as well as an upgrade to the existing playground, courts,  
2 ball field and landscape areas; and

3 WHEREAS, In partnership with the San Francisco Arts Commission, the Recreation  
4 Center also includes a new public artwork created by Bay Area sculptor Bryan Tedrick, titled  
5 “Pacific Breath”, which showcases a stainless steel sculptural installation topping the fence at  
6 the entrance to the park and was inspired by the elements and evokes the winds and waves  
7 that animate the City’s coastline; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco celebrated the grand opening  
9 of the Sunset Recreation Center on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors commends the  
11 San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Department of Public Works, the San  
12 Francisco Arts Commission, Bay Area sculptor Bryan Tedrick, members of the Sunset  
13 neighborhood, and the entire team that made this project so successful for their dedication  
14 and hard work.

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