

1 [Golden Gate Bridge Anniversary Day - May 27, 2012]

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3 **Resolution celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge and proclaiming**  
4 **May 27, 2012, to be “Golden Gate Bridge Day” in the City and County of San Francisco.**  
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6 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is pleased to join in celebrating  
7 milestones in the history of landmarks that illustrate our noble heritage and whose creation  
8 had a meaningful impact upon the lives of our citizens, and one such landmark is the Golden  
9 Gate Bridge – an exceptional example of engineering and a symbol of the human ingenuity  
10 that has prevailed since the founding of this great nation; and

11 WHEREAS, For the past 75 years, the Golden Gate Bridge has stood as an iconic  
12 symbol of life in the San Francisco Bay Area and is viewed as one of the greatest structures  
13 of the twentieth century, an architectural marvel in terms of its complex and unprecedented  
14 construction and its unique structural form; and

15 WHEREAS, This seamless stretch of elongated cables and steel beams represents  
16 the progressive vision of renowned bridge engineer Joseph Strauss, whose experience  
17 constructing other suspension bridges provided him with remarkable foresight in designing  
18 the longest suspension bridge of its day, which many said could not be built; and

19 WHEREAS, Spanning the Golden Gate from the County of Marin to San Francisco,  
20 the Bridge is anchored in two national park sites, linking San Francisco with its neighbors to  
21 the north, serving thousands of drivers, cyclists and pedestrians daily, and greeting the world  
22 at America’s shore; and

23 WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Bridge represents the daring and dedicated work of  
24 hundreds of individuals who brought it to completion during the Great Depression, and  
25 thousands of others who have maintained it for the 75 years since; and

1           WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Bridge has inspired hundreds of thousands to join  
2 hands in civic celebrations for its opening day on May 27, 1937 and through its many  
3 milestone anniversaries; and

4           WHEREAS, In 2012, the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District and  
5 the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy—in cooperation with the National Park Service,  
6 the Presidio Trust, and the City and County of San Francisco—have launched a 75th  
7 anniversary program, bridging the community with 75 Tributes to commemorate and  
8 celebrate the countless ways in which the Bridge connects people and places, offering new  
9 services to the millions of people who visit the Bridge every year, and providing an opportunity  
10 for all to join in commemorating this proud and momentous milestone achievement in our  
11 history; now, therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco declares May 27, 2012 to be  
13 Golden Gate Bridge Anniversary Day in the City & County of San Francisco.

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