

1 [West Portal Branch Library reopening]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the re-dedication of the West Portal Branch Library and**
4 **commending the San Francisco Public Library and its team for their hard work and**
5 **commitment to San Francisco and its residents.**

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7 WHEREAS, The West Portal Branch Library has been renovated as part of the Branch
8 Library Improvement Program (BLIP) funded by the bond measure passed in November 2000
9 by the voters of San Francisco that calls for nineteen branches to be renovated, four leased
10 facilities to be replaced with new City-owned buildings and one new branch to be built in
11 Mission Bay; and

12 WHEREAS, The West Portal Branch Library will celebrate its grand re-opening on
13 Saturday, February 10, 2007 from 1:00 - 4:00 pm; and,

14 WHEREAS, This historic WPA era gem is now seismically safe and fully accessible
15 and has been transformed into a state of the art library designed to serve the neighborhood
16 for many more decades to come; and,

17 WHEREAS, Highlights of the renovation include an addition with a new elevator, new
18 public restrooms and staff work area, a designated teen area, refinished historic tables and
19 chairs, new street level after hours book drop, an updated materials and book collection, new
20 furniture, improved heating and ventilation, more computers, and Wi-Fi access to the Internet;
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22 WHEREAS, The renovation has been a team effort between the San Francisco Public
23 Library staff and administrators, Department of Public Works Division of Project Management
24 and Bureau of Construction Management, Thomas Hacker Architects, Inc., Karin Payson
25 Architecture + Design, MH Construction Management Company, Library Commissioners,

1 Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, and members of the West Portal community who
2 raised funds and helped design the branch to suit their neighborhood's needs; now, therefore,
3 be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the San Francisco Public
5 Library, the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, the Department of Public Works,
6 members of the West Portal community, and the entire team that made this project so
7 successful for their dedication and hard work; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors invites the public to join the
9 celebration of the re-dedication of the West Portal Branch Library on Saturday, February 10,
10 2007 at the branch, 190 Lenox Way at Ulloa.

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