

1 [Recognition of Alma Robinson]

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3 **Resolution recognizing and congratulating Alma Robinson on her career and**
4 **leadership.**

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6 WHEREAS, Alma Robinson has been a resident of San Francisco since 1978; and

7 WHEREAS, Through outstanding leadership and dedication, Alma Robinson has led
8 California Lawyers for the Arts for over four decades, serving San Francisco's artists and arts
9 organizations with advocacy and services that provide support with legal and business issues;
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11 WHEREAS, Since 1993, Alma Robinson has led the Arts and Community Development
12 Project, placing more than 1000 teens and adults in career building internships in San
13 Francisco and other cities; and

14 WHEREAS, Since 2011 Alma Robinson has led the successful Arts in Corrections
15 Initiative, helping to restore arts programs in all 35 state prisons and has produced three
16 national conferences on Arts in Corrections while organizing arts demonstration projects in
17 San Francisco and 14 county jails; and

18 WHEREAS, Alma Robinson has led statewide initiatives including Arts and
19 Environmental Dialogues and Symposia on California Arts and Healthy Communities; and

20 WHEREAS, Alma Robinson, is a well-respected community leader who serves as
21 Trustee of Grace Cathedral, was a founding Board member of the Museum of the African
22 Diaspora and California Arts Advocates, previously served as a San Francisco Human Rights
23 Commissioner and has served on a number of boards, including the San Francisco African
24 American Historical & Cultural Society, California Confederation of the Arts, San Francisco
25 Opera Association, Mills College, Urban School of San Francisco, and the Cathedral School

1 for Boys, as well as numerous committees and task forces such as the Mayor’s Hunters Point
2 Shipyard Citizens Advisory Committee, Issues Facing California Museums Advisory
3 Committee, and the San Francisco Board of Supervisors’ Cultural Affairs and the Arts
4 Organization Task Force; and

5 WHEREAS, As a result of her tireless hard work and unwavering commitment to the
6 arts sector, Alma Robinson has been the recipient of many awards and recognitions over the
7 years including Stanford University Distinguished Woman, Fellow of the Wallace A. Gerbode
8 Foundation, Lifetime Achievement Award, Women’s Caucus for Art, Director’s Award for
9 Outstanding Leadership, California Arts Council, and Who’s Who in California; and

10 WHEREAS, Alma Robinson is a graduate of Middlebury College, Stanford University
11 Law School, a member of the California Bar Association, and author of a number of published
12 articles; and

13 WHEREAS, Through her decades of service to the betterment of society, Alma
14 Robinson has made tremendous contributions to the City and County of San Francisco; and

15 WHEREAS, Alma Robinson is a true champion of the arts and has dedicated her life’s
16 work to ensuring that the strength and value of the arts sector contributes to the health and
17 success of our communities; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby extends sincere
19 congratulations to Alma Robinson for her four decades of hard-work, commitment, and
20 service to the City and County of San Francisco.

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