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LONDON N. BREED
MAYOR

Notice of Nomination of Appointment

February 22, 2021

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Honorable Board of Supervisors,

Pursuant to Charter §4.109, of the City and County of San Francisco, I make the following nomination:

Larry Yee, for appointment to the Police Commission for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending April 30, 2022, to the seat formerly held by Damali Taylor.

I am confident that Mr. Yee will serve our community well. Attached are his qualifications to serve, which demonstrate how his appointment represents the communities of interest, neighborhoods and diverse populations of the City and County of San Francisco.

I encourage your support and am pleased to advise you of this appointment nomination. Should you have any question about this appointment nomination, please contact my Director of Commission Affairs, Tyra Fennell, at 415-554-6696.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "London N. Breed".

London N. Breed
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco

From: [Sherman Tang](#)
To: [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Appointment of Larry Yee for Police Commission
Date: Monday, February 22, 2021 10:22:06 AM

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I am in support of Larry Yee as Police Commissioner. I have know Mr. Yee for more than twenty years. He cares about San Francisco and his community. He is fair and articulate and know his community well. I request your "YES" vote. Thank you.

Sherman Tang
1724 23rd Ave
San Francisco, CA

Chinese American Democratic Club



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February 22, 2021

Rules Committee

San Francisco Board of Supervisor

1 Dr Carlton B Goodlett Pl

San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Member of Rules Committee,

The Chinese American Democratic Club (CADC) Board of Directors supports Mayor Breed's nomination of **Larry Yee** to the San Francisco Police Commission.

Mr. Yee has served as an exemplary community servant in San Francisco for over four (4) decades. He is a local San Franciscan and graduate of Galileo High School. Mr. Yee's concern for San Francisco has led him to take on the responsibilities of many community leadership positions:

1. Past executive officer of the California Democratic Party
2. President of the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (a.k.a. Six Companies)
3. Past president of the Chinese American Democratic Club

Mr. Yee has developed a high level of trust from the San Francisco community. His dedication and service to the community allows him to understand the on-going concerns regarding public safety. Mr. Yee has the experience and relationships to elevate the credibility of SFPD and understands the systemic changes that must occur within SFPD.

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The appointment of Mr. Yee would bring a critical perspective to the Police Commission. The Asian American community has been facing increased levels of discrimination and violence. Mr. Yee's experience will be invaluable to curb the violence against Asian Americans and under-reporting of crimes within the Asian American community. He will help rejuvenate the partnership between the SFPD and the Asian American community.

In addition, Mr. Yee is also bilingual in Cantonese, which will be a plus for the Police Commission.

We strongly urge you to support this nomination.

Respectfully Yours,

Bayard Fong

Bayard Fong

CADC President for 2021

cc: Mayor London Breed



February 18, 2021

Subject: Letter of support for Nomination of Police Commissioner Larry Yee

**San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Rule Committee**

Dear Honorable Supervisor Aaron Peskin, Chair, Honorable Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, and Honorable Supervisor Connie Chan:

The Charity Cultural Services Center (CCSC) has over 38 years of community services to over 5,000 low-income and limited English immigrant families. Larry Yee has joined Charity Cultural Services Center in 2019 and have been a great supporter for over 15 years. He has been a breath of fresh "AIR" and brings new ideas to our organization. Charity Cultural Services Center Board of Directors strongly support **Larry Yee** to the **San Francisco Police Commission**. Our community deserves a strong advocate to represent our concerns.

Larry Yee has showed strong leadership and willingness to volunteer his time to help the community. He is resourceful and work well as a team. CCSC constituents living in our community continue to have fear of anti-Chinese hate crime and xenophobia continue to be perpetuated. I have known Larry Yee for close to 25 years and he has always been about helping our community and the city to make it a better place for everyone.

We ask that you cast your vote in support for Larry Yee nomination to the Police Commission.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dennis Chew

President

Board of Directors Charity Cultural Services Center

From: [Ann Yuey](#)
To: [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Comment for 2/22/21 meeting Police Commission Appointment
Date: Monday, February 22, 2021 9:46:37 AM

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Hi Victor,

Please share my comment below for today's police commissioner hearing.

Thank you!

Ann Yuey

My comment:

My name is Ann Yuey I am over 80 years old and living in SF Chinatown. I have known Larry Yee for a long time. He is a very honest person, when we ask for help, he always offer to help us - whether fixing our telephone or translate English letters for us. Since he works for AT&T, he is familiar with telephone issue and he assisted people with telephone problems. I believe he will provide more police to help the senior at home or on the streets. I highly recommend Mr. Larry Yee as police commissioner. He will be very helpful in the city.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Larry Yee for Police Commission
Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 9:08:11 AM

From: Steven Lee <steven.lee.ventures@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 3:27 AM
To: Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>
Cc: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: Larry Yee for Police Commission

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February 23, 2021

City Hall - Board of Supervisors
Rules Committee
Supervisor Aaron Peskin - Chair
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place,
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear Supervisor Peskin,

Please support Mayor Breed's appointee Larry Yee to fill one of the available seats on the San Francisco Police Commission. It is important that the Police Commission is represented by diverse leaders that are not only interested in the continual efforts towards Police Reforms, but also a person who really cares about the public safety of the entire City and County of San Francisco. Larry Yee is your candidate.

Larry Yee, a lifelong San Francisco resident, is a long-time community leader with decades of experience serving on the boards of multiple community and labor organizations. Larry has spent countless hours fighting for racial justice, voter enfranchisement, social justice and economic justice. He has experience as a Union negotiator that can help bring people together.

He would also be a respected representative for the interest of over 35%+ APIs in San Francisco (20%+ Chinese). and have a voice at the table in policy making at this Commission for San Franciscans and businesses plagued by crime.

Today, I hope you vote to recommend Larry Yee join the San Francisco Police Commission, where he will fight for the improvement of the SFPD and help envision a city that can serve and protect all of us.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Be safe and stay healthy.

Have a great week.

Steven Lee

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Subject: FW: Larry Yee for Police Commission
Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 9:09:24 AM

From: Steven Lee <steven.lee.ventures@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 3:23 AM
To: Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>
Cc: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: Larry Yee for Police Commission

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The Police Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

DAMALI TAYLOR
Vice President

December 21, 2020

Dear Mayor Breed,

I write to inform you that, due to work commitments and other public service projects, I will be stepping down from the Police Commission, effective December 31.

While leaving is bittersweet, I am extremely proud of the accomplishments we have made during my time acting as Chair of the Commission. The Commission has implemented a significant number of DGOs in the last several months, the majority of which within a few weeks of receiving them from the Department. During that time, the Police Commission has passed several landmark policies and resolutions. These include:

- DGO 5.17 “Bias-Free Policing,”
- DGO 11.07 “Prohibition on Discrimination and Harassment,”
- DGO 1.08 “Community Policing”
- DGO 5.01, “Use of Force” (discussed below)
- DGO 5.23, “Interactions with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individuals”
- Resolution requiring Black Lives Matter signs at all SFPD District Stations

These are just a few examples, which serve as a keystone for achieving substantial compliance for a number of CRI recommendations. This Commission has also approved the passage of DGO 10.11, “Body-Worn Cameras,” which was the result of the hard work of a prior Commission. What the Commission has accomplished in the last few months has been with unprecedented alacrity.

While the Police Commission is composed of individuals, all of whom have their own priorities and perspectives, we are best when we work together to make San Francisco better for all of its citizens. To provide a recent example, the Police Commission worked collaboratively over the summer to quickly implement changes to one of the Department’s most important policies, DGO 5.01 “Use of Force,” to increase data reporting requirements and explicitly ban knee-to-neck restraints in the wake of George Floyd’s murder. On January 6, the Commission will vote on DGO 5.03, which I worked on with Commissioner Elias and an Executive Sponsor Working Group comprised of dedicated community members and advocates; this DGO will significantly improve the procedures around investigative detentions.

Under Chief Scott’s leadership, the Department has significantly increased the rate at which it has achieved substantial compliance on individual recommendations. I have required monthly CRI updates as part of the Police Commission agenda since May 2020 and the Commission is keeping close watch on the Department’s progress. At the time of the Hillard Heintze Phase II report in March of 2020, the Department had only achieved substantial compliance on 40 recommendations. As of today, that number stands at 113, with an additional 55 recommendations in final review by Hillard Heintze, which means we expect that they will be completed very shortly. In addition, the California DOJ, and the SFPD have a detailed plan to achieve

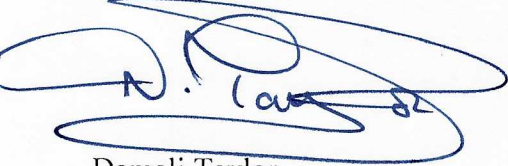
substantial compliance on approximately 240 of the 272 recommendations by Spring 2021. The remaining recommendations will require substantial financial resources, and thus will take additional time to complete.

As Chair, I strove to be thoughtful and, most importantly, to leave the Department better than I found it. While there are still miles to go, I leave confident in that being the case.

I want to thank you for asking me to serve. I was honored to be one of your first appointments to such an important commission. I also thank the members of the Board of Supervisors, the hard working members of the Department of Police Accountability, the men and women who bravely serve in the San Francisco Police Department and my fellow Commissioners, past and present. I also want to thank Chief Scott, who is a class act and has been a true champion of reform for the Department.

Finally, to the Commission Staff, Sgt. Youngblood, Risa Tom, Sgt. Kilshaw, Phillip Lohaus, Sgt. Jones, Sgt. Ware, and Sgt. Campbell: There are no words to express my gratitude for your decency, your patience and your hard work. You do not get nearly the credit you deserve for all that you do.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Taylor", enclosed within a large, loopy circular scribble.

Damali Taylor
Vice President and Acting Chair
San Francisco Police Commission

From: [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#)
To: libby.libbydodd.com
Cc: [ChanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Dear Supervisor Chan,
Date: Monday, February 22, 2021 12:12:03 PM

Thank you, Elizabeth, your message is received and noted. -- Connie

District 1 Supervisor
San Francisco Board of Supervisors

On 2/22/21, 11:27 AM, "libby.libbydodd.com" <libby@libbydodd.com> wrote:

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Dear Supervisor Chan,

I strongly urge you to approve the nomination of Larry Yee to the San Francisco Police Commission. He will be a strong voice for San Francisco residents, small businesses, and victims of crime. He's lived, worked and raised a family in San Francisco his whole life and shares my concerns about public safety.

Larry Yee has a long history of involvement with community groups and an understanding of the needs of San Francisco's diverse communities. He also is an experienced mediator who can help bring people together and bridge the gap between different cultural understandings and government. Larry will also bring a perspective currently missing on the Commission, having long been involved in Asian-American civic groups, and would be the only Chinese-American member of the commission.

Elizabeth Dodd
District 10 resident

Sent from my iPad