

1 [Behavioral Health Court Day - October 16, 2013]

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3 **Resolution declaring October 16, 2013, as Behavioral Health Court Day in the City and**
4 **County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco is
7 proud to honor the contributions of the Behavioral Health Court to those members of our
8 community with mental illness who have been redirected out of jails and into community
9 based mental health treatment; and

10 WHEREAS, The Behavioral Health Court has provided these services to over 300
11 graduates of the program who have been successfully stabilized, whose dignity has been
12 restored through appropriate care and treatment, and who have become productive citizens
13 rescued from the revolving door of the criminal justice system; and

14 WHEREAS, The Behavioral Health Court has developed a comprehensive treatment
15 model which maximizes precious mental health resources and which connects clients to
16 lifelong community mental health services; and

17 WHEREAS, The Behavioral Health Court has become a fully integrated and necessary
18 part of the criminal justice system in San Francisco using a collaborative team approach to
19 resolve criminal cases in a manner which reduces violence and protects public safety; and

20 WHEREAS, The Behavioral Health Court is hosting an event “Celebrating a Decade of
21 Behavioral Health Court” this very month of October; and

22 WHEREAS, The Behavioral Health Court has reached out to those among us who are
23 lonely and forgotten and our most vulnerable; and

24 WHEREAS, The Behavioral Health Court is an inspirational, compassionate,
25 extraordinary program that reflects the best of San Francisco Values; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
2 bestow its highest commendation and humble appreciation to Behavioral Health Court and
3 declare October 16, 2013, "Behavioral Health Court Day" in the City and County of San
4 Francisco.

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