

1 [RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SUE BIERMAN REMEMERBENCE DAY]

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3 **Resolution Proclaiming August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Sue Bierman Remembrance Day**

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5 WHEREAS, Sue Bierman died a year ago this August and it is fitting and proper for  
6 this body to honor her memory and the substantial accomplishments of her public life, which  
7 continues to benefit all San Franciscans; and

8 WHEREAS, Sue Bierman served the City and County of San Francisco as a Planning  
9 Commissioner, Member of the Board of Supervisors and Port Commissioner from 1975 to her  
10 death last year, serving in five Mayoral Administrations and including two full terms as a  
11 citywide elected Supervisor; and

12 WHEREAS, Sue Bierman's active life in the City she loved began over two decades  
13 prior to her first appointment to public office championing civil rights for African Americans;  
14 and, WHEREAS, Sue Bierman was a primary organizer of the nation's first city-wide  
15 neighborhood based coalition formed to stop a federally funded freeway thereby saving  
16 Golden Gate Park and its Panhandle and setting off a national "freeway revolt" which swept  
17 across the nation; and,

18 WHEREAS, Sue Bierman was an early leader in the parks and open space  
19 preservation movement that was the forerunner of the modern urban environmental  
20 movement in San Francisco and a life long advocate for the work-place rights and dignity of  
21 workers; and

22 WHEREAS, As an appointed and elected public official, Sue Bierman effectively  
23 enacted local ordinances and policies for affordable housing, senior rights, protection of  
24 tenants from displacement and eviction, balanced, smart growth for the benefit of existing  
25 San Francisco residents, human rights for all San Franciscans, increases in the minimum and

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1 living wages of San Franciscans, the expansion of parks and open space, public support for  
2 the arts and artists, expanding the supply and funding for public transit, and the protection of  
3 families with dependent children; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout Sue Bierman's fifty years of effective activism conducted  
5 herself with never flagging patience, courtesy and kindness to all, ally and foe, close friend  
6 and stranger alike; and

7 WHEREAS, On Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at the Sue Bierman Grove at  
8 Shrader Street in the Panhandle, the Haight-Ashbury Neighborhood Council, founded by Sue  
9 and others to wage the freeway fight, will offer refreshments and an open forum to remember  
10 and discuss her life; now, therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims August  
12 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Sue Bierman Remembrance Day.



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August 7, 2007 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, McGoldrick,  
Peskin, Sandoval


Absent: 2 - Daly, Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution  
was ADOPTED on August 7, 2007 by the  
Board of Supervisors of the City and County  
of San Francisco.

8/15/07  
Date Approved

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
Mayor Gavin Newsom