

[National Stuttering Awareness Week - May 9 through 14, 2022]

Resolution proclaiming May 9 through May 14, 2022, as the Annual National Stuttering Awareness Week in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Across the country the second week of May is recognized as Stuttering Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, Stuttering is a speech disorder characterized by repetition of sounds, syllables, or words, prolongation of sounds, and interruptions in speech; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated about one percent of the world's population stutters and roughly three million Americans stutter; and

WHEREAS, Organizations dedicated to bringing hope and empowerment to children and adults who stutter through support, education, and advocacy, have locations in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Paul Castellano and Barbara Hubbard Koval, organized the drive to win Congressional recognition for people who stutter, and in 1988 President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation establishing the second week in May 1988 as National Stuttering Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, Many stutterers suffer frustration and embarrassment that can lead to harmful emotional stress; and

WHEREAS, Stuttering is a form of verbal diversity and should be recognized as simply a different way of speaking; and

WHEREAS, When stuttering continues into adulthood, a person may have difficulty communicating with other people and stuttering may affect a person's quality of life, interpersonal relationship, job opportunities, and professional growth; and

1 WHEREAS, During National Stuttering Awareness Week, Proud Stutter Podcast seeks
2 to raise awareness about communication disorders and the many ways that people with the
3 daily challenges of stuttering can be supported; and

4 WHEREAS, By recognizing these challenges, we can draw attention to the needs,
5 shine a light on these often invisible disabilities, and help avoid the negative consequences of
6 misunderstanding stuttering; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco hereby proclaims May 9
8 through May 15, 2022, as the National Annual Stuttering Awareness Week in San Francisco;
9 and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco will work to
11 support the stuttering community at the local, regional and state level and will encourage
12 residents of San Francisco to participate in National Stuttering Awareness Week activities.
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File Number: 220520

Date Passed: May 10, 2022

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May 10, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/10/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

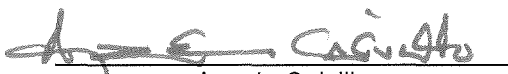
Unsigned

London N. Breed
Mayor

5/20/2022

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

5/20/2022
Date