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September 23, 2025

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1021 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 404-25

Dear Governor Newsom:

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Sincerely,

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

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Bay Area Organization of Black Owned Businesses (BAOBAB) Directory

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San Francisco African American Chamber of Commerce Brigette Leblanc, President 1485 Bay Shore Boulevard, Suite 427, Box 158 San Francisco, CA 94124

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