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San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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RE: Letter of Support for the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department's Acceptance of an in-kind grant for the 22nd Street Pathway Stairs Project

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of San Francisco Public Works, I am writing to express our full support for the proposed legislation authorizing the Recreation and Park Department to accept and expend an in-kind grant valued at approximately \$580,000 from the Dogpatch and NW Potrero Hill Green Benefit District for the design and construction of the 22nd Street Pathway Stairs Project.

The project will enhance a currently unimproved public right of way located on 22nd Street between Missouri and Connecticut streets – a steep dirt path under the jurisdiction of Public Works that informally connects the Potrero Hill Recreation Center with the surrounding neighborhood. This pathway has long been used by the public despite its lack of infrastructure and the addition of box steps will greatly improve safety and accessibility for all users. While the site falls under our jurisdiction, the pathway directly adjoins Recreation and Park Department-managed parkland and serves as a critical link to community recreational space. We recognize the value this project brings to the neighborhood and commend the community-driven efforts to bring it to fruition. In the long term, we are interested in seeing a more permanent public stairway constructed, pending dedicated funding for the site. In the meantime, we support this more immediate interim measure.

This project is an excellent example of interagency and community collaboration to improve San Francisco's public spaces and advance accessibility. We look forward to continuing our support through coordination, as needed, during the design and construction phases.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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