

1 [Claude the Alligator Hatch Day - September 15, 2025]

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3 **Resolution proclaiming September 15, 2025, as “Claude the Alligator Hatch Day” in the**
4 **City and County of San Francisco, marking 30 years since the day he hatched, and**
5 **celebrating the impact he has had on the California Academy of Sciences and**
6 **reaffirming our commitment to science, scientific institutions, and the preservation of**
7 **endangered species.**

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9 WHEREAS, Claude the Alligator hatched in Louisiana in 1995, later establishing his
10 forever home at the California Academy of Sciences in the indoor swamp and his debut as a
11 San Francisco resident in 2008; and

12 WHEREAS, Despite the odds of poor eyesight and missing toes, Claude the Alligator
13 carries himself with grace and welcomes the millions of people that come to visit him every
14 year, impressing them with his consistent weekly training sessions; and

15 WHEREAS, Claude the Alligator is the only albino alligator with albinism in the history
16 of the California Academy of Sciences and the first alligator to have two children’s books
17 make an on-screen appearance at Outside Lands Music Festival; and

18 WHEREAS, Alligators expected lifespan in the wild is 30 years, but with the help of
19 expert human care, albino alligators can live up to 60-70 years; and

20 WHEREAS, Claude’s impressive 30 years of living represents the importance of
21 sanctuaries for endangered species; and

22 WHEREAS, The California Academy of Sciences is hosting a public hatch day
23 celebration for Claude the Alligator on Sunday, September 14, 2025, to honor his legacy as
24 San Francisco’s famous albino alligator; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors proclaims September 15,
2 2025, as Claude the Alligator Hatch Day in the City and County of San Francisco.