

1 [Urging DPT, DPW, Police, and Fire Department to waive fees incurred by Black Diamond
2 Dynasty for the installation of the 1st Annual Bayview Juneteenth Festival in 2002.]

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4 **Resolution urging DPT, DPW, Police, and Fire Department to waive fees incurred by**
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6 **Festival in 2002.**

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8 WHEREAS, June 19th is the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery; and,

9 WHEREAS, the ending of slavery was announced on June 19th, 1865, in Galveston
10 Island, Texas, when Union Major General Gordon Granger announced freedom for all slaves
11 in the Southwest, the last major vestige of slavery following the Civil War; and,

12 WHEREAS, this occasion occurred more than two and a half years after the
13 Emancipation Proclamation was signed and enforced by President Abraham Lincoln; and,

14 WHEREAS, the Juneteenth Celebration is now a worldwide celebration since its
15 inception 54 years ago; and,

16 WHEREAS, Juneteenth is presently a state holiday in Texas, Oklahoma, Florida,
17 Delaware, Alaska, Idaho and Iowa and efforts are continuing to establish Juneteenth as a
18 National Holiday in America; and,

19 WHEREAS, Juneteenth provides an opportunity for ALL Americans to learn more
20 about our common past and to better understand the experiences that have shaped our
21 nation; and,

22 WHEREAS, Juneteenth represents the joy of freedom-the chance for a new beginning
23 that allows us to reflect on where we've been, where we're at, and where we're going as one;
24 and,

1 WHEREAS, Bayview Hunters Point has never had a publicly organized Juneteenth
2 Festival; and,

3 WHEREAS, Black Diamond Dynasty held the first nonprofit Juneteenth Community
4 Fair in Bayview Hunters Point from June 12, 2002 to June 16, 2002 allowing the community
5 to partake in the commemoration and celebration of the signing of the Emancipation
6 Proclamation; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors urge the
8 Department of Parking and Traffic, Department of Public Works, Police and Fire Department
9 to waive their fees associated with the 2002 Black Diamond Dynasty Juneteenth Celebration.

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