

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO DANIEL L. LURIE, MAYOR

> OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS DIRECTOR KATY TANG

June 24, 2025 Ms. Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board City Hall Room 244 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: BOS File No. 250539 – Existing Awning, Sign, and Gate Amnesty Program; Design Standards for Gates, Railings, and Grillwork - Support

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

On June 23, 2025, the Small Business Commission (the Commission) heard BOS File No. 250539 – Existing Awning, Sign, and Gate Amnesty Program; Design Standards for Gates, Railings, and Grillwork. The legislation would add security gates as part of the City's existing amnesty program for awnings and signs, and would ease the City's transparency requirements for security gates, allowing them to be 100% non-transparent. Historic Buildings would still be required to adhere to the 75% transparency requirement. The Commission discussed that current requirements for security gates can be confusing, and that these design guidelines would provide significant clarity to businesses.

The Commission supported the legislation with a 6-0 vote, with one Commissioner absent. Thank you for considering the Commission's recommendations. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Katy Tang Director, Office of Small Business