

1 [Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month - February 2025]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the month of February 2025 as “Teen Dating Violence**
4 **Awareness and Prevention Month” in the City and County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, One in three high schoolers will experience dating abuse before their high
7 school graduation; and

8 WHEREAS, Young people are impacted by abusive relationships as they are
9 threatened with or subjected to physical violence, sexual violence, psychological suffering, or
10 stalking from a current or former intimate partner; and

11 WHEREAS, Dating violence can also occur digitally through social media and other
12 electronic communication in forms of cyberstalking, non-consensual distribution of intimate
13 images, blackmail by threatening non-consensual distribution of intimate images or video
14 distribution, and other technology-facilitated harms; and

15 WHEREAS, Experiencing dating violence can lead to and further exacerbate
16 disengagement and isolation of young people from their families, peers and community; and

17 WHEREAS, Young people experiencing violence are more likely to be vulnerable to
18 long-term behavioral and health consequences, including mental trauma and drug
19 abuse/addiction; and

20 WHEREAS, Trauma from adolescent domestic violence increases the risk of sustained
21 and cyclical experiences of violence in adulthood and future relationships; and

22 WHEREAS, It is crucial to empower young people to recognize healthy, nonviolent
23 relationship dynamics for themselves by educating them about healthy relationship norms and
24 warning signs of relationship violence; and

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1 WHEREAS, Black Women Revolt Against Domestic Violence and Black Women Revolt
2 Against Domestic Violence's Youth Advisory Council shall partner with the San Francisco
3 Youth Commission to host the "Love Like That" Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month
4 (TDVAM) 2025 Event and raise awareness about the impact of teen dating violence for San
5 Francisco Youth; and

6 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Youth Commission Transformative Justice Committee
7 passed a companion Youth Commission Resolution No. 2425-AL-05 led by Skylar Dang, Téa
8 Lonné Amir, Gabbie Listana, Ethar Alameri, and Ikahihifo Paea Paea, to recognize the
9 month of February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month and to affirm
10 the right of all young people to experience healthy relationships free from dating abuse in
11 adolescence and beyond; and

12 WHEREAS, Assembly Member Catherine Stefani introduced Assembly Concurrent
13 Resolution No. 25 to proclaim the month of February 2025 as Teen Dating Violence
14 Awareness and Prevention Month, thus directing the State of California to encourage and
15 facilitate the education of teen dating violence for all young people in California; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors joins the San Francisco Youth
18 Commission to formally recognize the month of February 2025, as Teen Dating Violence
19 Awareness and Prevention Month to encourage and facilitate the education of teen dating
20 violence for all young people in the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs the
22 Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the San Francisco Youth
23 Commission.

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