

1 **[Urging SFSU to continue its Russian Program]**

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3 **Resolution urging San Francisco State University to continue its Russian Program.**

4 WHEREAS, Ten percent of the population of the City and County of San Francisco  
5 speaks Russian; and

6 WHEREAS, The local Russian speaking community has grown significantly in the last  
7 decade; and

8 WHEREAS, A population of this size creates a demand for a variety of services  
9 (educational, medical, social, etc.), and

10 WHEREAS, The Russian speaking community should have access to these services,  
11 including the right to an education that addresses the cultural and linguistic heritage of  
12 Russia, and

13 WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the City and County of San Francisco to have  
14 Russian speaking professionals that engage in the local, national and international markets,  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, San Francisco State University's (SFSU) Russian Program is the only  
17 program of its kind in Northern California, and

18 WHEREAS, SFSU's Russian Program has the largest capacity in the California State  
19 University system,

20 WHEREAS, SFSU's Russian Program is recognized as a leader in the California State  
21 University system, and

22 WHEREAS, SFSU's Russian Program graduates serve both the public and private  
23 sectors capturing well-paid and highly placed professional careers in a variety of fields; now,  
24 therefore, be it

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\*\*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick\*\*

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

1           RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco recognizes the important work  
2 of the Russian Program in this rapidly expanding field; and, be it

3           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the President and  
4 Administration of SFSU to fully fund and continue its support for the Russian Program; and,  
5 be it

6           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors forward copies of  
7 this legislation to the Governor, elected state representatives, Trustees of the State University  
8 Center and the President of San Francisco State University.

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