

1 [Charter Amendment - Establishing the Department of Emergency Management in the Charter]

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3 **Describing and setting forth a proposal to the voters at an election to be held on March 5,**
4 **2024, to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to establish within the**
5 **Charter the Department of Emergency Management, the position of the Director of the**
6 **Department, and the Director’s qualifications and appointing authority.**

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8 Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City
9 and County, at an election to be held on March 5, 2024, a proposal to amend the Charter of the
10 City and County by adding Section 4.130, to read as follows:

11 NOTE: **Unchanged Charter text and uncodified text** are in plain font.
12 **Additions** are *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
13 **Deletions** are ~~*strike-through italics Times New Roman font*~~.
Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Charter subsections.

14 **SEC. 4.130. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.**

15 *(a) There shall be a Department of Emergency Management. The Mayor shall appoint a*
16 *Director of the Department of Emergency Management who shall serve as department head for*
17 *the Department. The Director, at the time of appointment, must have a total of at least ten years*
18 *of employment, experience, or professional service in any of the following fields, singly or*
19 *cumulatively: firefighting, law enforcement, public health, or military service, or in the fields of*
20 *disaster management or emergency preparedness and relief, at the local, state, and/or federal*
21 *level. At least five years of that employment, experience, or professional service must be at a*
22 *management level. The Director shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and shall report*
23 *directly to the Mayor. The Department shall include such officers and employees as are*
24 *authorized pursuant to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter.*

25 *(b) On the date this Section 4.130 is added to the Charter, the Director of the*
Department of Emergency Management or, if applicable, person serving in an acting capacity as

1 *Director, shall in the first case continue to be Director serving at the pleasure of the Mayor, and*
2 *in the second case shall continue to serve temporarily in an acting capacity as Director. If, at*
3 *that time, there is a person serving in an acting capacity as Director, and if at any time the*
4 *position of Director is vacant, the position shall be filled in accordance with subsection (a).*

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