

1 [Process for Nominating and Selecting a Successor Mayor]

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3 **Motion directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to propose a process for**
4 **nominating and selecting a successor Mayor.**

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6 WHEREAS, On December 12, 2017, the sudden and unexpected passing of Mayor
7 Edwin Lee created a vacancy in the Office of the Mayor; and

8 WHEREAS, San Francisco Charter, Section 13.101.5(b), provides that when a vacancy
9 occurs in the Office of the Mayor, the President of the Board of Supervisors shall become
10 Acting Mayor and shall serve until a successor is appointed by the Board of Supervisors; and

11 WHEREAS, On December 12, 2017, President of the Board of Supervisors London
12 Breed assumed the role of Acting Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco; and

13 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Charter and the San Francisco Administrative Code
14 are silent on the process for the selection of a successor Mayor, but the Board of Supervisors
15 has considerable discretion in creating such a process; and

16 WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the City and County of San Francisco that the
17 Board of Supervisors utilize a fair and orderly process to be used for the selection of a
18 successor Mayor; and

19 WHEREAS, On November 23, 2010, in order to consider the appointment of a
20 successor Mayor during the last vacancy in the Office of the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors
21 approved a process to appoint a successor Mayor after public hearings and in consultation
22 with outside legal counsel from Santa Clara County, by Motion No. M10-178 contained in
23 Board of Supervisors File No. 101457; now, therefore, be it

24 MOVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for the City and County of San
25 Francisco be directed to prepare and provide a process, that is modeled after the process

1 utilized in 2010, to govern the Board of Supervisors' nomination and appointment of a
2 successor Mayor; and, be it

3 FURTHER MOVED, That said process shall be presented for review and approval by
4 the Board of Supervisors at the Special/Regular meeting on January 23, 2018.

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