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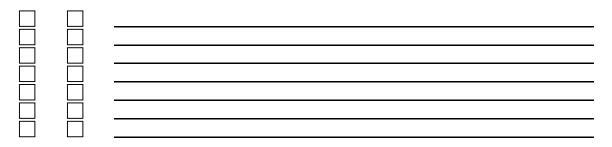
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**RESOLUTION NO.** 

1	[Urging to Establish a Sister City Relationship With a City in Latin America]
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3	Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco to establish a Sister City
4	Relationship with a city in Latin America.
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6	WHEREAS, Mexico stands as the foremost trading partner to the U.S. as of early 2023,
7	with bilateral trade totaling \$263 billion in the first four months of the year, representing over
8	15 percent of total U.S. trade, per the Department of Commerce; and
9	WHEREAS, U.S. exports to Mexico reached \$362.5 billion in 2022, comprising 13
10	percent of total U.S. exports and 43 percent of Mexican imports, thereby supporting an
11	estimated 1.1 million jobs in 2019; and
12	WHEREAS, Mexico constitutes the primary country of origin for tourist visitors to San
13	Francisco, and the hospitality and tourism sector is paramount to San Francisco's economy,
14	with a significant Latin American workforce; and
15	WHEREAS, Mexico recently celebrated the election of its first female president, a
16	distinguished climate scientist, mother, and granddaughter of Jewish Holocaust survivors,
17	underscoring the importance of diverse leadership and breaking barriers for women
18	worldwide; and
19	WHEREAS, Despite San Francisco's sister city relationships with 27 cities globally,
20	none are situated in Latin America or the Caribbean, regions that share deep cultural,
21	economic, and social connections with San Francisco; and
22	WHEREAS, 40% of California's population identifies as Latinx, enriching the state's
23	diverse cultural identity; and
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Supervisors Melgar; Chan BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHEREAS, A Sister City relationship with a city in Latin America would promote
 cultural exchange, economic collaboration, and mutual understanding between San Francisco

3 and Latin American communities; and

WHEREAS, Establishing a Sister City relationship would create opportunities for
educational initiatives, people-to-people connections, and joint projects in areas such as
sustainability, urban development, and social justice; and

WHEREAS, Such a relationship would strengthen ties between San Francisco and
Latin America, fostering goodwill, cooperation, and solidarity between the two regions; now,
therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco reaffirms its commitment to 11 strengthening ties with Mexico and Latin America through the establishment of a Sister City 12 relationship with a city in Latin America, recognizing the significance of nurturing robust 13 relationships with the City's southern neighbors; and, be it,

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco pledges to 15 champion diversity, inclusion, and gender equality in all interactions with Mexico and Latin 16 America, ensuring that the perspectives of women, immigrants, and marginalized 17 communities are acknowledged and valued in our partnerships and endeavors; and, be it, 18 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor, Board of Supervisors and relevant city 19 officials shall explore avenues for establishing a Sister City relationship with a city in Latin 20 America, including conducting research, engaging stakeholders, and initiating discussions 21 with potential sister cities.

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## **Introduction Form**

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):  $\square$ 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)  $\square$ 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference) (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)  $\square$ 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor 4. inquires..." 5. City Attorney Request Call File No.  $\square$ 6. from Committee. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion) 7. Substitute Legislation File No.  $\square$ 8. Reactivate File No. 9.  $\square$ Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on 10. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes): □ Small Business Commission □ Ethics Commission □ Youth Commission □ Building Inspection Commission □ Human Resources Department □ Planning Commission General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):  $\Box$  Yes  $\square$  No (Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.) Sponsor(s): Subject: Long Title or text listed: