[Commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Sister-State Relationship Between California and Osaka]

Resolution commemorating the 30th anniversary of the sister-state relationship between the State of California and the Osaka Prefecture.

WHEREAS, 2024 marks the 30th anniversary of the sister-state relationship between the State of California and Osaka Prefecture, a bond that has fostered mutual understanding, economic growth, and cultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, California and Osaka have engaged in numerous cooperative efforts since the establishment of this relationship, contributing significantly to the prosperity and well-being of their respective citizens; and

WHEREAS, In 1860, San Francisco underscored its significance as a gateway to the Pacific and Japan by hosting the nation's inaugural diplomatic mission aboard the ship Kanrin Maru; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco's Japantown, one of just three historic Japantowns remaining in the United States, was founded by Japanese immigrants in the late 19th century, their enduring contributions, along with those of their descendants, have significantly enriched the diverse cultural, communal, and identity landscape of the city; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco shares profound historical connections with Osaka and its residents, exemplified by the Peace Pagoda, gifted to San Francisco by Osaka in 1968, this five-tiered concrete stupa has become an enduring symbol of San Francisco's historic Japantown, additionally, Osaka Way serves as the neighborhood's central hub, embodying its geographic and cultural essence; and

WHEREAS, The City of Osaka and the broader Kansai region of Japan will host "Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan" from April 13th through October 13, 2025, underscoring a commitment to innovation, sustainability, and global collaboration; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted a Resolution commemorating the 2025 World Expo on December 6, 2022; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors celebrates the 30th anniversary of the sister-state relationship between the State of California and Osaka Prefecture, honoring decades of friendship, cooperation, and mutual growth; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the historic ties between the State of California and Osaka Prefecture, and San Francisco and the City of Osaka.



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March 19, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Safai,

Stefani and Walton Excused: 1 - Ronen

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/19/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

03-28-2024

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Clerk of the Board

03-28-2024

Date