

1 [Recognition of February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month]

2 **Resolution recognizing February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and**
3 **Prevention Month**

4 WHEREAS, 1 in 3 high schoolers will experience dating abuse before high
5 school graduation; and

6 WHEREAS, Young people are impacted by abusive relationships as they are
7 threatened with or subjected to physical violence, sexual violence, psychological
8 aggression, or stalking from a current or former intimate partner; and

9 WHEREAS, Dating violence can also occur digitally through social media and
10 other electronic communication in the form of cyberstalking, non-consensual distribution
11 of intimate images, and other technology-facilitated harms; and

12 WHEREAS, Young people experiencing violence are more likely to be vulnerable
13 to long-term behavioral and health consequences, including mental trauma and drug
14 abuse; and

15 WHEREAS, Trauma from adolescent domestic violence increases the risk of
16 violence in adulthood and future relationships; and

17 WHEREAS, It is crucial to educate young people about the signs of domestic
18 violence, to set them up for success by allowing them to recognize for themselves what
19 healthy, nonviolent relationships look like; and

20 WHEREAS, Black Women Revolt Against Domestic Violence and Black Women
21 Revolt Against Domestic Violence's Youth Advisory Council shall partner with the San
22 Francisco Youth Commission to host the "Love Like That" Teen Dating Violence

1 Awareness Month (TDVAM) 2024 Event and raise awareness about the impact of teen
2 dating violence for San Francisco Youth; and therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Youth Commission recognizes the month of
4 February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month to affirm the right
5 of all young people to experience healthy relationships free from dating abuse in
6 adolescence and beyond; and therefore be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Youth Commission introduce
8 and urge the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to recognize the month of February as
9 Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month to encourage and facilitate the
10 education of teen dating violence for all young people in the City and County of San
11 Francisco; and therefore be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That San Francisco Youth Commission staff are
13 directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Office of the Mayor and Board of
14 Supervisors.