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July 28, 2015

The Honorable President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, District of Columbia 20500

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 270-15

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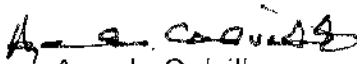
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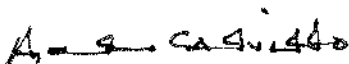
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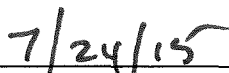
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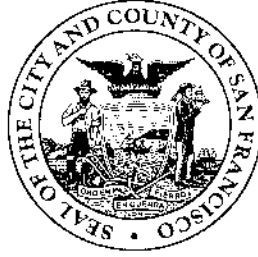
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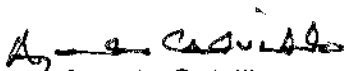
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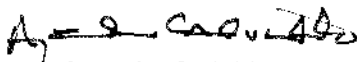
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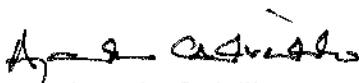
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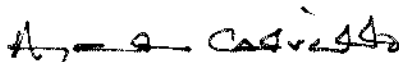
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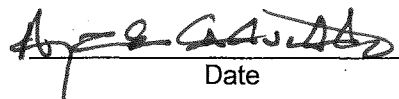
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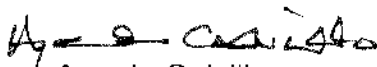
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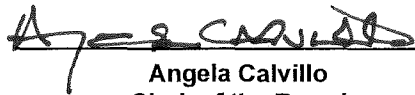
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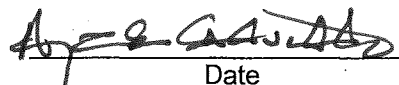
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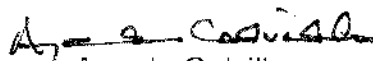
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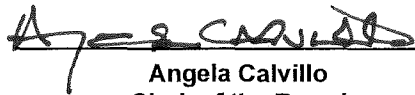
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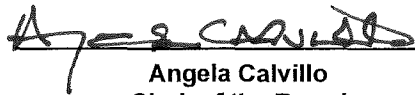
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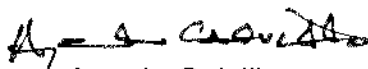
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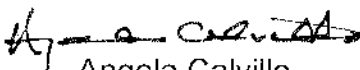
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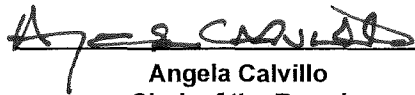
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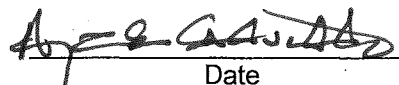
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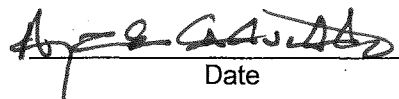
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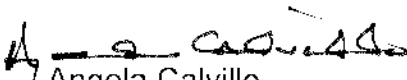
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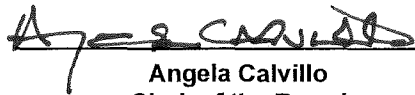
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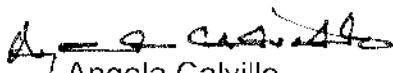
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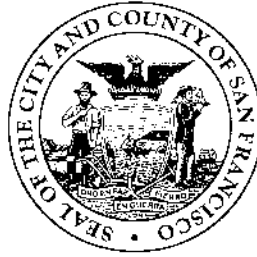
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1401 Longworth House Office Building
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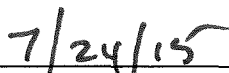
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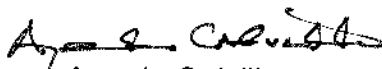
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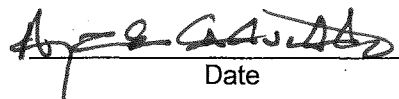
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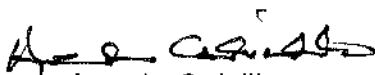
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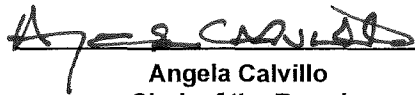
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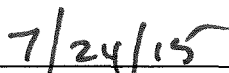
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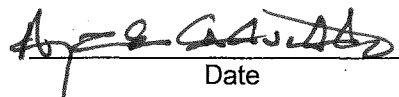
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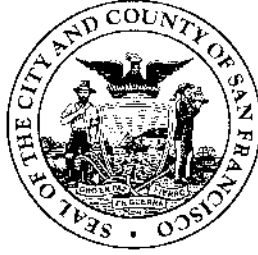
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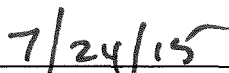
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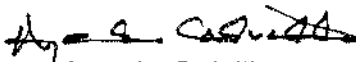
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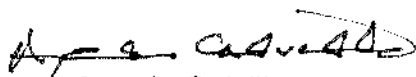
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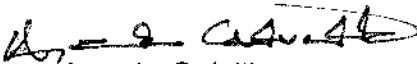
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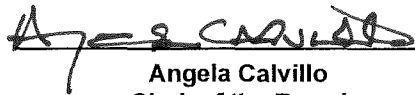
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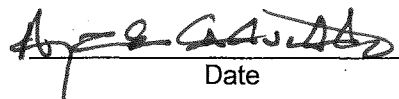
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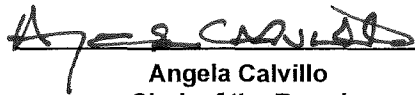
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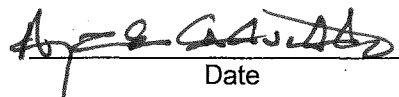
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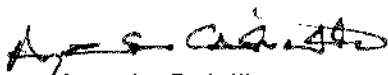
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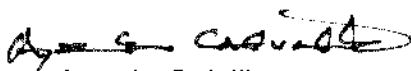
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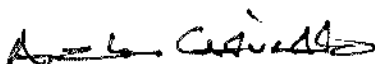
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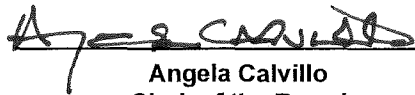
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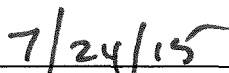
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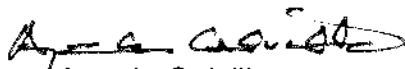
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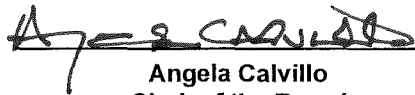
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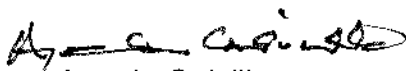
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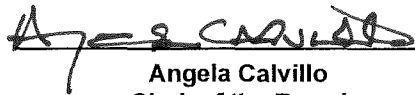
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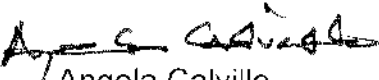
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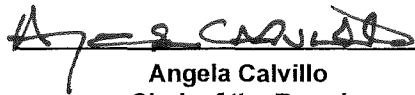
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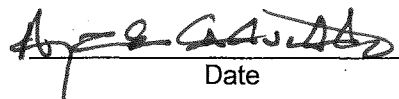
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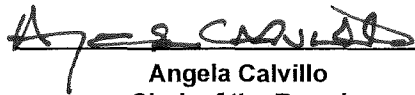
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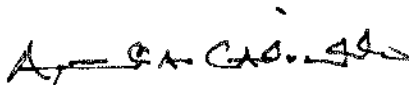
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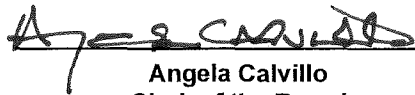
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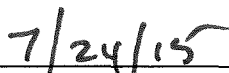
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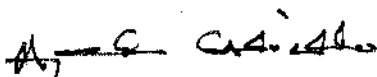
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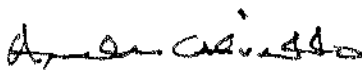
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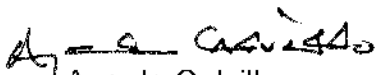
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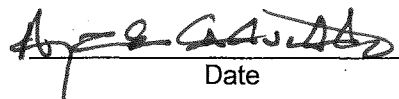
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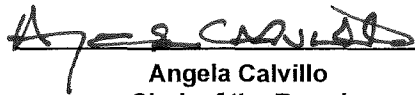
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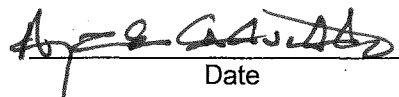
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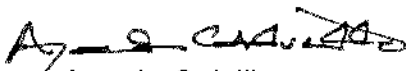
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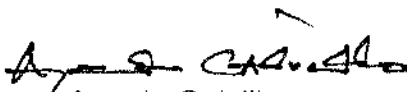
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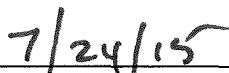
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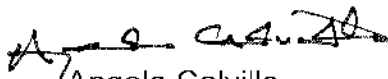
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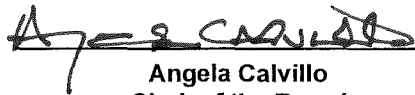
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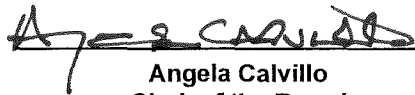
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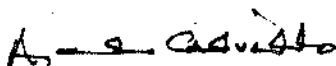
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13 our Commander-in-Chief, President Barack Obama to vacate the unjust convictions of these
14 brave men, and to elevate their military records to show the appropriate designation of
15 Honorable Discharge; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors
17 transmit copies of this resolution to the President and the Vice President of the United States,
18 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each Senator and Representative from
19 California in the Congress of the United States.



City and County of San Francisco

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Resolution commemorating the 71st Anniversary of the Port Chicago disaster and urging the President of the United States and the U.S. Congress to exonerate the 50 U.S. Navy Sailors convicted of mutiny in the incident with the designation of Honorable Discharge.

July 14, 2015 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/14/2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

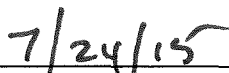
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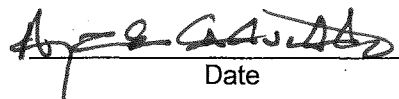
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Date Approved

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 his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board



Date