

1 [Grand Jury Awareness Month]

2 **Resolution declaring February 2008 as Civil Grand Jury Awareness month in San**
3 **Francisco.**
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5 WHEREAS, Grand juries are crucial components of California's justice system that rely
6 on the participation of citizens to function efficiently and justly; and

7 WHEREAS, California's Constitution empowers civil grand juries to oversee local
8 government; and

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10 WHEREAS, Every county's grand jury is made up of individuals who have been
11 selected by the county's Superior Court; and

12 WHEREAS, Grand juries are sworn in by a Superior Court judge and dedicate their
13 time for a full calendar year to help to ensure that our local governments are operating both
14 efficiently and legally; and

15 WHEREAS, The San Francisco civil grand jury continues to serve as the City and
16 County watchdog and many citizens from all walks of life volunteer their time; now, therefore
17 be it
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19 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors commends both the present
20 and past grand jurors for their devotion to clean and transparent government and encourages
21 all eligible citizens to consider volunteering for the grand jury; now, therefore, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in recognition
23 for the significant contributions of this uniquely democratic California institution, hereby
24 proclaims February 2008 as Grand Jury Awareness Month in San Francisco.
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