

1 [Harvey Rose - 80th Birthday Proclamation]

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3 **Resolution celebrating the 80th birthday of Harvey Rose, thanking Harvey for his**
4 **decades of service, and designating May 9, 2016, as Harvey Rose Day in the City and**
5 **County of San Francisco.**

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7 WHEREAS, Harvey Rose was born on May 9, 1936, in Nutley, New Jersey, to Wilfred
8 and Lillian Rose; and

9 WHEREAS, May 9, 1936 was Mother’s Day, and every year thereafter Harvey’s Mom
10 told him he was the best Mother’s Day present she ever received; and

11 WHEREAS, Harvey grew up with one brother, Joseph born in 1943, and one sister,
12 Cecilia born in 1950; and

13 WHEREAS, Harvey attended Rutgers University in New Jersey, then moved to Miami
14 with his family and graduated from the University of Miami in 1958 with a business degree in
15 accounting; and

16 WHEREAS, Harvey met his future wife Renee on a blind date in Miami in 1960 and
17 subsequently made one of the best decisions of his life, marrying Renee in 1961; and

18 WHEREAS, Harvey and Renee moved to Los Angeles and had two daughters, Heidi in
19 1965 and Lisa in 1969, while Harvey worked for the Federal Government Accounting Office
20 (GAO) for four years and then the City of Los Angeles for four years; and

21 WHEREAS, Harvey now has five beloved grandchildren, Nicholas, Jenna, Jacob,
22 Benjamin, and Matthew, who Harvey thinks are the only ones who still laugh at his jokes; and

23 WHEREAS, Harvey was hired by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of
24 San Francisco as their Budget Analyst in FY 1970-71 and has continued in this capacity, first
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1 as a City employee and then as a contractor since 1978, except for a brief tenure as the State
2 Auditor Controller for the State of California; and

3 WHEREAS, Harvey truly loves working for the Board of Supervisors in the Budget and
4 Legislative Analyst's Office; and

5 WHEREAS, Harvey has saved San Francisco taxpayers untold millions of dollars and
6 is a legendary force for accountability and good in local government; and

7 WHEREAS, Harvey looks forward to another 45 years in the Budget and Legislative
8 Analyst's Office and is eagerly awaiting a review of the FY 2060-61 budget; and

9 WHEREAS, Members of the Board of Supervisors have written their own Whereas
10 clauses for Harvey, as follows; and

11 WHEREAS, "After reading the Budget and Legislative Analyst's detailed report and
12 viewing your televised outburst at the Budget & Finance Committee hearing, Harvey, I am
13 officially recommending the elimination of your position," said Board President **London**
14 **Breed**; and

15 WHEREAS, "Harvey may be the only person capable of threatening the Board of
16 Supervisors with eating his Budget Analyst report with ketchup if he is proven wrong on an
17 issue," said Supervisor **Katy Tang**; and

18 WHEREAS, "Harvey's love of sole source contracts, retroactive requests for funding
19 approval, and deep appreciation for puns like 'We had an account with a bank in the North
20 Pole, but it froze all our assets,' have served as an inspiration to all departments," said
21 Supervisor **David Campos**; and

22 WHEREAS, "If your run around Lake Merced took the same amount of time as the BLA
23 reports, the Board of Supervisors would be at a loss," said Supervisor **Norman Yee**; and

24 WHEREAS, "Harvey Rose is never, ever wrong," said Supervisor **Jane Kim**; and
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1 WHEREAS, “Harvey Rose is the highest volume user of paperclips at the Board of
2 Supervisors. You can always tell the importance of your item by the number of paper clips he
3 attaches to the report. The occasion of his 80th birthday is definitely a four paperclip day,” said
4 Supervisor **Malia Cohen**; and

5 WHEREAS, “Harvey Rose is never afraid to challenge any City Department, and in
6 fact, boldly stated that he would eat any Department’s proposal with a ‘bag of ketchup’ if
7 proven incorrect,” said Supervisor and Budget Committee Chair **Mark Farrell**; and

8 WHEREAS, “Those of us who occasionally tussle with department heads in the annual
9 Budget process look like polite schoolchildren compared to Harvey when he wages his epic
10 battles with our city leaders over every last dollar in the budget,” said Supervisor **Scott**
11 **Wiener**; and

12 WHEREAS, “Harvey Rose's prowess with numbers and counting might look neutral
13 and objective to the Board of Supervisors, even though the City Departments don't always
14 buy it, with his family he has successfully turned his age into a policy matter, convincing his
15 grandchildren that he remains a spry 34 years of age year after year even as their parents
16 surpass him in age,” said Supervisor **John Avalos**; and

17 WHEREAS, “Harvey is a particularly awesome Star Wars convention participant who
18 probably did the actual budget analysis of the Death Star,” said Supervisor **Eric Mar**; and

19 WHEREAS, “Harvey treats his budget reports like gold—biting them to test their
20 quality,” said Board of Supervisors Clerk **Angela Calvillo**; and

21 WHEREAS, On May 9, 2016, Harvey celebrated his 80th birthday; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
23 extends its highest commendation and appreciation to Harvey Rose for his decades of tireless
24 service to the people; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That May 9, 2016, shall henceforth and forever be known as
2 Harvey Rose Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

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