

1 [Intention to Appropriate Cost Savings - \$58,855,862]

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3 **Motion stating the Board of Supervisors’ intention to appropriate \$58,855,862 of cost**  
4 **savings to restore critical programs serving children, youth, seniors, families, and the**  
5 **most vulnerable.**

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7 WHEREAS, The City’s Annual Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$15.88  
8 billion, with technical adjustments proposed by the Mayor’s Budget Office including  
9 passthrough of property tax revenue from the City and County of San Francisco to San  
10 Francisco Unified School District of an estimated \$55 million on a variety of city departments,  
11 resulting in an increase to the Mayor’s proposed budget in 2024-2025, a copy of which is on  
12 file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File Nos. 240595 and 240596, and are  
13 incorporated herein by reference; and

14 WHEREAS, The City faced a \$235 million budget deficit for Fiscal Year 2023-2024,  
15 and the City heavily relied on one-time spending to close the budget deficit gap and its  
16 proposed budget of 2024-2025, and projected tax revenue to remain flat in the coming fiscal  
17 years, resulting in the budget deficit’s continuing growth to \$780 million by the end of 2026;  
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19 WHEREAS, In December 2023, the Mayor and the Mayor’s Budget Office proposed  
20 \$75 million mid-year budget cuts for 2023-2024 adopted budget, out of which \$48 million were  
21 services and programming serving youth and families; and

22 WHEREAS, If budgets are a statement of our values, then funding workforce  
23 development ensures a strong economy and robust local growth; funding children, youth and  
24 family services, is an investment in our future prosperity; funding safe and healthy housing

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1 provides stability for our communities; and funding senior services reflects a respect for and  
2 understand of who we are as a society; and

3 WHEREAS, Community based grants funded by the sugary drinks tax in the  
4 Department of Public Health to fund Healthy Communities Grants for health education,  
5 chronic disease prevention, physical activity, urban farming, chronic disease prevention and  
6 healthy lifestyle promotion, and oral health support, were all reduced by the Administration  
7 and the Board seeks to restore these programs by \$5,400,000; and

8 WHEREAS, Funding for the Adolescent/Transitional Age Youth System of Care  
9 programs providing unique behavioral and physical health prevention, early intervention, and  
10 treatment options and services for youth has been reduced by the Administration and the  
11 Board seeks to restore \$500,000 to the Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Funds supporting workers' rights outreach and education for low-wage  
14 immigrant workers, youth civic engagement and outreach, community arts and culture,  
15 education and engagement, and language access in the Office City Administrator through  
16 Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, and Office of Labor Standards  
17 Enforcement were reduced by the Administration and the Board seeks to restore \$1,756,000;  
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19 WHEREAS, Funding that will sustain historical cultural anchors and culturally affirming  
20 spaces in certain neighborhoods for a total of \$1,375,156 through the Office of the City  
21 Administrator through Grants for the Arts and the Arts Commission for annual cultural and  
22 public arts events, support the revitalization of commercial corridors and alleyways, support  
23 local artists, offer capacity-building and job placement services, and target underserved  
24 populations, including undocumented individuals and transitional youth; and

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1           WHEREAS, Funding for the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs  
2 completely eliminated a two decade long program known as the Community Ambassadors a  
3 longstanding program that deploys ambassadors increasing safety awareness and public  
4 service assistance with cultural and language competency serving residents and visitors  
5 across the City in neighborhoods outside of downtown by June 2025 at a cost of \$3,300,000;  
6 and

7           WHEREAS, Funding for the City's workforce development through Office of Workforce  
8 and Economic Development, and the Human Services Agency in the areas of sector training  
9 and unhoused employment opportunities were reduced impacting the job opportunities for  
10 young people, low-income households, unhoused people, and immigrant workers, putting  
11 more people at higher risk of homelessness, and continuing trap of the cycle of poverty were  
12 reduced by the Administration and the Board seeks to restore \$7,400,000; and

13           WHEREAS, Funding from Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development  
14 providing Emergency Rental Assistance; grants for community-based organizations serving  
15 the unhoused, low-wage workers, and immigrants as well as women and people impacted by  
16 domestic violence and human trafficking; tenant counseling, education, and outreach; and  
17 reductions to programs previously funded by the department, protecting tenants, vulnerable  
18 communities, and preventing families at risk of homelessness losing their homes were  
19 reduced by the Administration and the Board seeks to restore \$5,000,000; and

20           WHEREAS, Funding to support food access and community based grants to fund  
21 neighborhood based grocery access, especially in the low-income, high need neighborhoods,  
22 and other food programs, by the Human Services Agency were reduced by the Administration  
23 and the Board seeks to restore \$720,000; and

24           WHEREAS, Funding for Department of Children, Youth and Their Families for robust  
25 programming serving children and youth citywide, and unique populations and neighborhoods

1 in San Francisco, including recently arrived youth/TAY, LGBTQI, linguistically isolated,  
2 unhoused and system impacted/involved youth that depend on programs previously funded  
3 by the department, the Board seeks to restore \$14,600,000 in funding to sustain such  
4 programs; and

5 WHEREAS, The Administration has reduced funding for violence intervention programs  
6 for adults and youth and the Board seeks to restore \$5,400,000 to the Department of  
7 Children, Youth, and Their Families; and

8 WHEREAS, Funding to support vulnerable tenants and secure healthy living in Single  
9 Room Occupancy buildings and Code Enforcement Outreach Programs within the  
10 Department of Building Inspection was reduced by the Administration and the Board seeks to  
11 restore \$4,680,000; and

12 WHEREAS, Funding to support transitional aged youth and a flexible pool of subsidies  
13 for homeless Transitional-Aged Youth in the Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
14 Department has been reduced by the Administration and that the Board seeks to restore  
15 \$1,000,000; and

16 WHEREAS, Funding for a Cost of Doing Business increase for Ryan White and other  
17 federal funding sources for HIV and AIDS treatment and prevention services was reduced by  
18 the Administration through the Department of Public Health and the Board seeks to restore  
19 \$1,000,000; and

20 WHEREAS, Funding for the Pit Stop public restroom program for 24-hour operations  
21 for certain locations has been reduced by the Administration through the Department of Public  
22 Works and the Board seeks to restore \$800,000; and

23 WHEREAS, Funding to support environmental justice, urban agriculture, and food  
24 justice programming, operations and infrastructure have been reduced by the Administration

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1 and the Board seeks to restore \$8,067,000 in funds to the San Francisco Public Utilities  
2 Commission to support this work; and

3 WHEREAS, Under the direction of the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Appropriation  
4 Committee, the Budget and Legislative Analyst's (BLA) identified General Fund and Non-  
5 General Fund cost savings of \$94,980,405 in Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026; and

6 WHEREAS, Out of the total in BLA reductions, Non-General Fund cost savings of  
7 \$44,187,162 were identified for Fiscal Years 2024-2025, and 2025-2026, however these Non-  
8 General Fund dollars are highly restricted in use and have limited ability to support general  
9 fund uses; now, therefore, be it

10 MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors intends to restore funding for these critical  
11 programs that have been significantly reduced in the Mayor's Proposed Budget and intends to  
12 appropriate \$58,855,862 of cost savings to restore funding for these critical programs.

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