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Re: Reappointment of Vince Courtney to San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Dear Chair Tang and Supervisors Mar and Cohen:

The San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council asks you to support the reappointment of Brother Vince Courtney to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC).

As much as if not more than with any other City agency, the work of the SFPUC intersects with the needs of men and women working in the construction industry – and of aspirants to that work – for wages and benefits that will sustain a family and for healthy working conditions. We in the Building Trades advocate not just for our members, but for all such workers. Brother Courtney understands and supports this advocacy, which has as one of its effects a skilled and efficient workforce that has best served and will best serve the SFPUC’s purposes.

To this end, Brother Courtney has made a priority of workforce development and finding ways to well-paying careers for underserved populations of San Francisco through creative avenues to job training and apprenticeship.

In his two terms on the Commission Brother Courtney has understood and worked to address not just the needs of workers in the SFPUC’s construction and of underserved communities, but the needs of the environment. He had been an essential supporter of a functional public energy program. He has listened carefully and been respectful to all who have come before the Commission.

Please recommend to the full Board of Supervisors that it approve his reappointment to the Commission.

Respectfully yours,

MICHAEL THERIAULT
Secretary Treasurer

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