

1 [Declaring Support for the Restoration of the Aquatic Park Pier - Urging Prioritization of  
2 National Park Service Project for Funding Through the Great Outdoors Act of 2020]

3 **Resolution declaring the City and County of San Francisco’s support for the**  
4 **restoration of the Aquatic Park Pier; and urging the Federal Government to prioritize**  
5 **that National Park Service project for funding through the Great Outdoors Act of 2020**  
6 **or through some other means.**

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8 WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier at the San Francisco Maritime National Historical  
9 Park has significant historic, cultural, and recreational value; and

10 WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier construction project was begun as a Works  
11 Progress Administration project in 1936, and the Pier and the adjacent museum designed by  
12 William Mooser, Jr. represent historically significant examples of WPA architecture and the  
13 Streamlined Moderne Style; and

14 WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier protects Black Point Cove and is immediately  
15 adjacent to and provides viewing access to Black Point, which is the last completely unaltered  
16 physical landmark in San Francisco, and contains substantial archeological record of the pre-  
17 colonial indigenous history; and

18 WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier at the San Francisco Maritime National Historical  
19 Park is used by thousands of visitors annually, and remains the most accessible and safest  
20 open water recreational site in San Francisco; and

21 WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier was built to create a protected cove where City  
22 residents could swim and recreate; the pier is now a threatened landmark in need of major  
23 repair; and

24 WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier is owned by the National Park Service and currently  
25 has about \$100 million in deferred maintenance; and

1           WHEREAS, The Aquatic Park Pier currently remains open for fishing and strolling, but  
2 decades of winter storms and pounding waves have jeopardized the structural integrity of the  
3 1400-foot cement walkway, and it will be forced to close without direct intervention; and

4           WHEREAS, Thanks to an incredible partnership with Senator Dianne Feinstein, the  
5 National Park Service, and many members of our local community, the Federal government  
6 has recently taken a renewed interest in saving Aquatic Park Pier for future generations, and

7           WHEREAS, The City and Count of San Francisco stands ready to work with the  
8 National Park Service in whatever way necessary, and has appropriated \$150,000 to seed  
9 fund a vision study for the project, and the members of the local community have generously  
10 contributed tens of thousands more to further that study, and

11           WHERAS, The large-scale construction project to preserve the Aquatic Park Pier would  
12 create hundreds of jobs at a time when our economy most needs this kind of support, and

13           WHEREAS, The United States Senate passed the Great American Outdoors Act in  
14 June of 2020, which, if enacted into law, will create a fund into which not less than 50% of all  
15 revenues made from energy production on public lands to funding projects in America’s  
16 National Parks, and

17           WHEREAS, Initial estimates indicate that the Great American Outdoors Act could  
18 generate up to \$900 million for National Park restoration and conservation every year; now,  
19 therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the United States  
21 House of Representatives to pass the Great American Outdoors Act of 2020; and, be it

22           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors believes that the  
23 Aquatic Park Pier at the San Francisco Maritime national Historical Park has substantial  
24 historic, cultural and recreational value; and, be it

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1           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the  
2 National Park Service to prioritize the Aquatic Park Pier project for funding from the Great  
3 American Outdoors Act of 2020 or through some other means, and

4           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
5 transmit a copy of this Resolution to the members of our Congressional delegation and to our  
6 City Lobbyist.

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