

1 [Commending Deputy City Attorney Matthew D. Davis.]

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3 **Resolution commending Deputy City Attorney Matthew D. Davis upon his departure**
4 **from dedicated service with the City Attorney's Office; declaring October 12, 2001 as**
5 **Matt Davis Day in the City and County of San Francisco.**

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7 WHEREAS, Deputy City Attorney Matthew D. Davis has served as a Deputy City
8 Attorney for the City and County of San Francisco for more than nine years, and is leaving his
9 City service for new opportunities; and

10 WHEREAS, Matthew has been one of the City's most effective litigators during his
11 tenure, representing the City in many significant lawsuits of great public interest; and

12 WHEREAS, Last year Matthew displayed his talents in a federal court in Florida, and in
13 short-lived litigation in that forum protected the City's right to preserve the name of the Joe
14 DiMaggio Playground in honor of its famous native son, fending off attempts to separate the
15 revered name from the playground; and

16 WHEREAS, Matthew served as a lead deputy in the successful prosecution of
17 consumer fraud actions against several title companies (most notably Old Republic Title
18 Company), obtaining a multi-million dollar award in favor of home buyers, the People of the
19 State of California, and the City; and

20 WHEREAS, Matthew was a core member of the team that successfully sued Bank of
21 America for millions of dollars in damages for false claims made against a host of public
22 entities, including the City, and for other unfair business practices; and

23 WHEREAS, Matthew achieved the quick and effective abatement of IBM's advertising
24 campaign that consisted of vandalizing public property with street graffiti; and

25 WHEREAS, Matthew has been an unfailing friend and colleague to his fellow deputies,

1 and has always had time to brainstorm creative litigation approaches and solutions; and

2 WHEREAS, Matthew has been an innovator in the use of computer technology in
3 furtherance of efficient legal representation of the City; and

4 WHEREAS, Matthew has been an impressive and entertaining contributor to at least a
5 dozen continuing in-house legal education programs and law practice manuals; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
8 hereby commends Deputy City Attorney Matthew D. Davis for his dedicated and exemplary
9 service to the City and its residents, and wishes Mr. Davis well in his new endeavors; and, be
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11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That Friday, October 12, 2001, is hereby declared Matt Davis
12 Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

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