

1 [Earth Month - April 2025]

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3 **Resolution recognizing April 2025 as Earth Month in the City and County of San**
4 **Francisco; and reaffirming San Francisco's commitment to the climate action goals**
5 **and initiatives to fight against the climate crisis.**
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7 WHEREAS, The first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970, after organizers
8 witnessed a massive oil spill off the coast of Santa Barbara, which prompted calls for
9 improved stewardship of our planet; and

10 WHEREAS, This celebration sparked a national movement for environmental
11 protection that calls for immediate and long-term solutions to stop the climate crisis; and

12 WHEREAS, In recent years, climate change has impacted the lives of millions of
13 people across the globe through disastrous wildfires, powerful tropical storms, historic flooding
14 and mudslides, and devastating droughts; and

15 WHEREAS, According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,
16 atmospheric carbon dioxide has risen more than 50% since companies began burning fossil
17 fuels, our oceans are storing 91% of excess heat from climate change resulting in sea level
18 rise, and sea levels have risen 8-9 inches since 1880; and

19 WHEREAS, Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities are more
20 severely impacted by climate change, with higher rates of heart and lung disease due to
21 pollution and an increased financial burden to relocate or rebuild following climate disasters;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, San Francisco has committed to reducing community-wide emissions by
24 61% from 1990 levels by 2030 and reducing emissions to net-zero by 2040 through our
25 Climate Action Plan (CAP); and

1 WHEREAS, Through the CAP, San Francisco aims to reduce building emissions by
2 40% by 2035 and transition to all-electric buildings to meet net-zero goals by 2040; now,
3 therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognizes April 2025 as Earth Month in
5 the City and County of San Francisco; and

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco remains committed
7 to the City's climate action goals and will continue to support initiatives to fight against the
8 climate crisis.