

1 [Renaming Fillmore and Turk Mini Park as the Mary Rogers Mini Park]

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3 **Resolution urging the Department of Recreation and Parks to rename the Fillmore and**  
4 **Turk Mini Park as the Mary Rogers Mini Park.**

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6 WHEREAS, Mary Rogers dedicated her life to fighting for affordable housing for  
7 African Americans and the residents of the Western Addition; and

8 WHEREAS, Mary Rogers was born in Hillsboro, Texas on March 8, 1925 and moved  
9 to San Francisco in 1965, where she answered the call to activism when faced with racism  
10 while trying to rent a home in the city; and,

11 WHEREAS, Mary Rogers, while raising 12 children, fought tirelessly and timelessly for  
12 all children and families in the Western Addition, helping to organize WACO, WAPAC and the  
13 Western Addition CAC; and,

14 WHEREAS, Mary Rogers stood up to the Redevelopment Agency and blocked  
15 bulldozers on behalf of all people, but especially the African American community; and,

16 WHEREAS, Mary Rogers turned over tables at Raphael Weill elementary school and  
17 demanded quality education for all children, fighting the school district and helping develop  
18 the concept for the parent liaison position that exists today, and,

19 WHEREAS, Mary Rogers fed not only the soul and mind of her community, but spent  
20 countless hours making rolls from scratch, frying chicken and opening her doors to those who  
21 were in need, even when her own needs, at times were greater than those she helped; now,  
22 therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
24 urges the Department of Recreation and Parks to rename the Fillmore and Turk Mini Park as  
25 the Mary Rogers Mini Park.