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May 13, 2025

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker Emerita 1236 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 180-25

Dear Speaker Emerita Pelosi:

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The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

• One copy of Resolution No. 180-25 (File No. 250405)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: <u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

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c. Members of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisors Rafael Mandelman, Shamann Walton, Connie Chan,
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Daniel Lurie Mayor	Date Approved	

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