



March 15, 2026

## **Support for the Appointment of Ms. Carla Cuevas to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board**

Dear Rules Committee Members Walton, Sherrill, and Mandelman,

On behalf of the Langton Neighborhood Association (LNA), we would like to extend our full endorsement of our fellow member, Ms. Carla Cuevas, for an open seat on the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board.

While Carla is our dear friend and neighbor, she is also a fierce advocate for our South of Market neighborhood. **Carla is exactly what the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board needs!** She is a level-headed, kind, and thoughtful leader. She takes the time to research issues and look into all possible alternatives. She is collaborative and hardworking, always leading by example.

After witnessing a horrific murder in our Langton Alley, Carla was instrumental in creating our association to clean up our streets, work with fellow neighbors to monitor illegal activity, and create a safe environment for our most vulnerable populations.

In the aftermath of multiple drug overdoses at the corner of Langton and Howard streets, she worked with Supervisor Matt Dorsey and public safety departments to make physical changes. From the installation of a red curb to increase visibility to the installation of new lighting and cameras, this corner has gone from a magnet of crime to a peaceful neighborhood alleyway once again.

Carla also led our grassroots community engagement with the Howard-Langton Community Garden, focusing on surrounding safety and beautification efforts. Today, we have seen great progress on our block, to the credit of LNA members like Carla.

On behalf of our roughly fifty members, LNA thanks you for your honest consideration of our fellow member, neighbor, and friend, Carla Cuevas. We wholeheartedly endorse her appointment to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board.

Sincerely,

Members of the Langton Neighborhood Association

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To: San Francisco Board of Supervisors - Rules Committee  
From: Mary Lou Aranguren, Court Interpreter and Founding member of CALI  
RE: Support for the Appointment of Ms. Carla Cuevas to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board

Dear Supervisors Walton, Sherrill, and Mandelman,

I would like to express my full endorsement of Ms. Carla Cuevas, for an open seat on the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board.

I know Carla through her work as a union member over many years as we worked together on professional and language access issues. Carla was part of our bargaining committee during our 2017 negotiations, when we achieved important financial and working conditions benchmarks, most notably, salary steps.

Most recently, Carla collaborated with the founding members and supporters of the California Alliance of Legal Interpreters, CALI. Together, we won overwhelming support to elect CALI as our new union, through a fair, transparent and democratic process. She currently is involved with the union's work as a mobilizer for the bargaining committee.

Over the past 15 years that I have known her, I have found Carla to be engaged and collaborative, with a keen interest in improving whatever she is involved in, and someone who demonstrates unequivocal solidarity. Carla cares deeply about the community she lives in and public service in her work. She is a mindful, kind, grounded, and team oriented. She takes the time to consider the repercussions of her decisions, consider alternative points of view, and is open-minded, always looking for ways to grow.

Thank you for your honest consideration of Carla Cuevas. I wholeheartedly endorse her appointment to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can provide further information.

Sincerely,



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To: San Francisco Board of Supervisors - Rules Committee

From: Naomi Adelson

RE: Support for the Appointment of Ms. Carla Cuevas to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board

Dear Supervisors Walton, Sherrill, and Mandelman,

I am writing to enthusiastically endorse Ms. Carla Cuevas for the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board.

Through her leadership in the Region 2 bargaining unit and her work and support in the formation of the California Alliance of Legal Interpreters (CALI), Carla has proven she isn't just a member of labor—she has learned and understands how to dismantle unfair systems. In our 2017 negotiations, she moved beyond simple wage increases to fight for working conditions that prioritized transparency and equity, ensuring that the most marginalized workers were not left behind.

As a Spanish-language interpreter in the Superior Court, Carla witnesses daily the disproportionate impact of the justice system on San Francisco's Black and Brown communities. Her palpable interest in social justice is backed by her experience navigating the friction between institutional power and individual rights.

What makes Carla right for the SDOB is her continuous learning mindset. She possesses the analytical rigor required to review internal investigations and the independence to hold the pertinent powers accountable to the public. She understands that oversight is not a suggestion—it is a mandate, and essential to achieve equity and fairness in our society.

Carla is fully prepared to complete the required custodial and constitutional policing training and is eager to apply her labor background to ensure that justice and dignity are upheld within our county jails and on our streets.

I wholeheartedly endorse Carla Cuevas appointment to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department Oversight Board.

Sincerely,

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