

1 [Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Women’s Suffrage in California]

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Resolution celebrating 100 years of women’s voting rights in the State of California.

WHEREAS, Women in the State of California were granted the right to vote as a result of a special election in October of 1911, when the voters of the state adopted Proposition 4; and

WHEREAS, California established the right to vote for women 9 years before the adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution granted that right to women across the country; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a proud heritage of producing many great women leaders; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco enjoys strong representation from a broad diversity of women in its current local, state, and federal political delegations, including California Assembly Speaker pro Tempore Fiona Ma, and California’s two Senators to the United States Congress, Senators Feinstein and Boxer; and,

WHEREAS, Dianne Feinstein also served as the first woman President of the Board of Supervisors in San Francisco and the first woman Mayor of the City; and,

WHEREAS, Kamala Harris served as the first woman District Attorney for the County of San Francisco, and now serves as the first woman Attorney General for the State of California; and,

WHEREAS, Three current members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors are women, Supervisors Carmen Chu, Malia Cohen, and Jane Kim; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That City and County of San Francisco recognizes the incredible
2 accomplishments of women leaders in the State of California over the past 100 years; and,
3 be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
5 Francisco supports the increased involvement of all members of its community in the political
6 process, and urges young women to participate in civic affairs and consider careers in the
7 political arena; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors honors the work of those who
9 fought for women’s voting rights during the suffrage movement, and recognizes the efforts of
10 the women and men who worked tirelessly for the adoption of Proposition 4, 100 years ago.

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