

1 [Establishing Vision Zero on Homicides and Violent Crimes Plan]

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3 **Resolution establishing the creation of a Vision Zero on Homicides and Violent Crimes**
4 **Plan for neighborhoods most impacted by violence, and urging City departments to**
5 **implement strategies to achieve the plan.**

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7 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco recognizes the high homicide and
8 violent crimes rate as a symptom of economic disparities and social inequities and
9 acknowledges and wishes to remedy the tremendous loss to families, friends, loved ones,
10 and community caused by homicide, attempted homicide and other violent crimes; and

11 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco also recognizes the need for
12 violence prevention programs that are culturally competent in their design, effective in their
13 implementation, and targeted to communities with limited access to opportunity and
14 institutional power where violent crimes most often occur; and

15 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco celebrates the downward trend in
16 homicides over the past decade, each loss of life through violence is still senseless and a
17 waste of human potential, and requires our utmost efforts in combating the many sources of
18 a violent behavior; and

19 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco will do its due diligence to
20 guarantee the safety and security of its residents by announcing campaigns to mobilize City
21 departments, non-profit organizations, community members, and stakeholders in achieving a
22 Vision Zero goal in homicides and violent crimes throughout the city; and

23 WHEREAS, Various districts and neighborhoods have begun community
24 assessments through community meetings to gather input on how we can collectively achieve
25 the vision of zero homicides and violent crimes, and

1 WHEREAS, Gender-based violence and domestic violence are a leading cause of
2 death among self-identified women and a threat to public safety, and the presence of a gun
3 in a domestic violence situation increases the risk of homicide by 500 percent; and

4 WHEREAS, Intimate partner violence accounts for 15 percent of all violent crime, and
5 nearly half of all women who were murdered were killed by a current or former intimate
6 partner, over 70 percent of all murder-suicides involve an intimate partner; over 30 percent of
7 California women and 25 percent of Californian men experience intimate partner physical
8 violence, intimate partner sexual violence and/or intimate partner stalking in their lifetimes;
9 now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco intends to adopt a Vision
11 Zero on Homicides and Violent Crimes Plan; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That resources in all City departments should be directed to
13 address the violence in the neighborhoods most impacted by violence; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, The City and County of San Francisco urges the following
15 departments and City programs to implement the following to achieve the Vision Zero on
16 Homicides and Violent Crimes Plan:

- 17 1) San Francisco Police Department to increase patrols in hotspot areas;
- 18 2) The Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to increase its Community
19 Ambassador Program;
- 20 3) Public Works to alleviate illegal dumping in order to reduce loitering and illicit activity;
- 21 4) The Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families in partnership with the San
22 Francisco Unified School District to provide a plan for each student impacted by
23 violence with additional resources;
- 24 5) The Department of Public Health to provide violence prevention support between
25 City Departments and community organizations through mental health and trauma

- 1 support for victims, families, and community members;
- 2 6) Each district to identify and create a position of a Violence Prevention Coordinator in
3 each impacted neighborhood to establish efficient coordination of violence
4 prevention organizations, City departments, faith-based organizations, and
- 5 7) The Mayor's Office to expand the Mayor's Opportunities for All program to provide
6 jobs for young people and people in the community in order to promote stabilization
7 and productivity and the program will work closely to ensure all youth on probation
8 are offered jobs while the Office of Economic and workforce Development in
9 conjunction with the Department of Children Youth and Their Families will prioritize
10 and set aside slots for participants identified by Violence Prevention Coordinator;
- 11 8) San Francisco Police Department to work with SF SAFE to implement an
12 appropriate use of cameras in commercial corridors or hot spots to deter crime; and,
13 be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor in conjunction with District Supervisors
15 should identify a Violence Prevention Coordinator for each affected district to assist in
16 providing more centrally coordinated management of a greater pool of resources to address
17 homicides and violent crimes, and provide a safety plan for each district that will coordinate
18 violence prevention services between City agencies such as the Police Department,
19 Department of Public Health, Public Works, as well as community organizations, faith-based
20 organizations, community leaders, and other government agencies such as the San
21 Francisco Unified School District; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Police Department should continue to address this
23 crisis with the goal of lowering incidents of crime by increasing uniformed foot patrols, and
24 should work closely with violence prevention programs and other community outreach
25 programs to coordinate outreach to identified hotspots as outlined in the neighborhood safety

1 plans; and, be it

2 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests Public Works to
3 increase the number of cleaning crews and focus on removing furniture debris to alleviate
4 any incentives for hanging out late at night in certain areas; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests that the Department
6 of Public Health an increase in mental health and trauma support for victims and family
7 members as well as provide beds and appropriate services for foster and system involved
8 youth; and, be it

9 FUTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors will explore more ways to
10 support the Mayor's Opportunities for All program for young people and people in the
11 community in order to promote stabilization and productivity; and, be it

12 FUTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors will explore more ways with the
13 Department of Children, Youth, and their Families to support our youth identified as being at-
14 risk by the San Francisco Unified School District and all youth, ages 12 to 24, involved in the
15 criminal justice system; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages each district
17 Supervisor to hold community safety forums in each neighborhood, to create neighborhood
18 safety plans; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors will pursue additional
20 strategies provided through additional community ambassadors, community input and
21 expertise; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors urges The San Francisco Violence
23 Council and the Department on the Status of Women to present ongoing reports to the Board
24 of Supervisors and the Mayor regarding Family Violence in San Francisco and
25 recommendation ending this violence; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the San
2 Francisco Police Department to pursue gun violence restraining orders whenever there is a
3 nexus between the use or threat of use of a firearm or ammunition by the individual who is
4 the subject of the gun violence restraining orders and the danger presented to self or others,
5 and the gun violence restraining order is necessary to prevent an injury to self or others; and

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors will take the necessary
7 planning steps to address the rise in violent crimes against our elder community; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages the community in
9 partnership with the Police Department to form a roundtable of rehabilitated and influential
10 community leaders to work on positive interactions with some of the most vulnerable
11 populations.