

March 14, 2024

San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Rules Committee

Supervisor Ronan (Chair)

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Subject: Lt. Leonard Pogio, candidate for Entertainment Commission

Dear Mr. Victor Young:

I hope this note finds you well. As the person who most recently vacated this seat and the person who was part of the original transition team going back to Supervisor Mark Leno, when the Entertainment Commission was created, I wish to lend my overwhelming support to Lt. Pogio.

I have known Lt. Pogio for over 22 years. We have worked various assignments together and I have always found him committed to his work and the residents of our City. What is unique about Lt. Pogio is he is truly in service of others and works hard to better our City. He also supervised the permit section for Tenderloin Station and took an active interest in entertainment and nightlife. Time and again he would ask me about my role on the commission as he is an active and curious learner.

Lt. Pogio has an innate love for our City and will work hard to advocate for both the residents of our City and the entertainment and nightlife community. He has a keen understanding of the importance of our Entertainment industry both from an economic vitality perspective and the social/health and welfare value it provides. San Francisco's Entertainment and Nightlife is what makes us a world class city and I have no doubt that Lt. Pogio will continue to champion both community and the industry in a just and equitable manner.

I respectfully and strongly encourage all of you to support his candidacy. I remain most respectful of the Board of Supervisors and this committee.

With best regards,

  
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David Falzon (retired SFPD/Entertainment Commissioner)  
San Francisco, CA

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**To:** [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [leonard.poggio@yahoo.com](mailto:leonard.poggio@yahoo.com)  
**Subject:** Appointment of Lieutenant Leonard Poggio  
**Date:** Friday, March 15, 2024 8:40:42 AM

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To the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

Greetings. My name is Stanton Lee and I am a long-time resident of San Francisco.

I wish to express my support for the appointment of Lieutenant Leonard Poggio to the Entertainment Commission. Having known Leonard as a close friend for over 25 years, I can readily attest to his outstanding character. He is hard-working, intelligent, personable, and an excellent communicator. As an SFPD officer, Leonard has worked long hours to serve and protect our city. He has also shown his commitment to professional development by obtaining Bachelor's and Master's degrees while employed full-time and is currently attending POST Command College.

On a personal note, Leonard and I both began our careers as public employees and progressed to management positions. I have enjoyed our conversations about the challenges and opportunities we encounter in our work to serve the public. If appointed, I know that Leonard will do an excellent job of serving San Francisco as he always has. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Stanton Lee

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March 15, 2024

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Attn: Victor Young  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to enthusiastically recommend Leonard Poggio for the San Francisco Entertainment Commission.

I've had the good fortune to know Len for three years as our children are classmates in 3rd and 1st grade at St Brendan Parish School. Additionally I shared coaching responsibilities with Len on two baseball teams last year.

Len is a compassionate, high-character individual who cares deeply about the different communities of which he is a member. He gives his time and council generously to members across those communities. He shows leadership and the ability to effectively collaborate with parents in our many successful school fundraising and volunteer events.

As a coach Len makes an effort to truly listen to and connect with players, while creating an atmosphere of openness and equity. When working with other coaches and parents, he strives to build rapport and find common ground. His work with the non-profit Junior Giants league is a testament to his commitment to create opportunity for families across San Francisco.

I was pleased to learn of his nomination for the San Francisco Entertainment Commission. I've lived in San Francisco for more than two decades and have been an avid concert-goer from day one. The vibrancy and variety of San Francisco's music scene has been one of the City's great assets. Preserving and expanding those entertainment options in sensible ways for current music fans and the next generation is a critical part of maintaining the cultural fabric of San Francisco.

For this important mission I consider Len Poggio to be an exceptional candidate and trust the Board will agree.

Sincerely,  
John Trayers

To: San Francisco Entertainment Commission  
From: Torry Brouillard-Bruce  
Re: Len Poggio Commission Support Letter  
Date: March 15, 2024

Dear Madam Mayor,

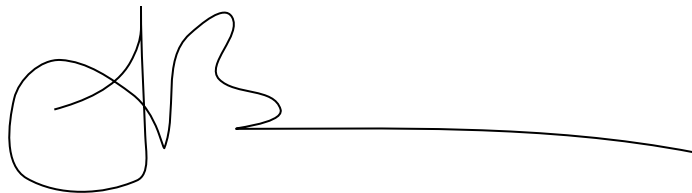
I am honored to submit this letter on behalf of my friend and coaching partner, SFPD Lieutenant Leonard Poggio, in support of his nomination to the San Francisco Entertainment Commission.

I first met Lt. Poggio in August, 2022 as he also had a son as a kindergartener with my son at St. Brendan Parish School. I served as his son's soccer coach in Fall 2022 and also found that he had an interest in coaching. As someone who has coached at the college, high school, and now youth level I was always looking for others who were committed to developing youth and finding growth through sports. Our great city is better due to individuals to supporting our youth and contributing to the health and vitality of San Francisco.

As Lt. Poggio and I continued to connect through our son's sports, we found opportunities to combine our passion for coaching to work together. We served as a coaching pair in the San Francisco Youth Baseball League for the 2023 and 2024 Spring seasons. I also helped him facilitate practices for San Francisco Junior Giants in the Summer of 2023. His calm presence and demeanor with our players and families, coupled with his enthusiasm to see people grow, was always something I admired and I worked to find ways to learn from him, even as he was learning how to translate his leadership skills into youth sports.

Having a parent who has served three terms as a mayor in the State of Washington, I know first-hand how important it is to have competent and capable citizens helping in shared governance. The attributes of being a human-centered leader that I have seen him exude on the sports fields are ones that are most critical when helping guide and shape local policies. With that I share my highest levels of support and praise for Lt. Poggio's opportunity to serve on the San Francisco Entertainment Commission.

With Respect,

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Torry Brouillard-Bruce  
Senior Director of Student Housing  
University of San Francisco



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San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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Re: Applicant Leonard F. Poggio

I highly recommend Leonard Poggio for the vacant Entertainment Commission position.

I was born, raised and still currently reside in San Francisco's Mission District. I believe Leonard would benefit the city in this position with his dedication and professionalism to the community.

I have known Leonard for over 30 years. We attended the same public high school together and have remained close friends. He is very active in the community. He coaches little league baseball where he reinforces concepts of fairness and teamwork. He volunteers with the Jr Giants organization, which has created opportunities for many children in San Francisco to play baseball in a fun and safe environment.

Thank you

Giuseppe Festa



San Francisco Board of Supervisors

I am writing to recommend Leonard Poggio for the San Francisco Entertainment Commission. I've volunteered with Leonard as a fellow coach on a number of youth baseball teams and can personally attest that his commitment to serve his community is beyond reproach.

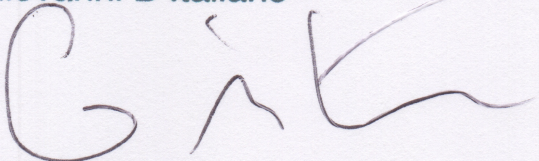
As a fellow coach, Leonard is consistently reliable and resourceful. During his time with our teams, he has managed to build strong team morale from scratch. One of his more admirable traits includes his ability to instill a sense of calm and focus within the team in the face of tense team dynamics.

I've always put a premium on leadership and problem-solving qualities among my team members and Leonard has never failed to deliver on both fronts. One example includes how he motivated his team members with multiple fun competitions that he also used as coaching opportunities for more volunteer coaches.

Leonard is a delight to work with – a team player with a positive, can-do attitude all the way. I recommend that you affirm his appointment to the Entertainment Commission and not look back. Rest assured, his confirmation will be in the best interest of our community and the City of San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Giovanni B Italiano

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'G B Italiano', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.