

1 [Queer and Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander Week - May 24 Through June 1, 2025]

2 **Resolution recognizing the week of May 24 through June 1, 2025, as Queer and**
3 **Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander Week in the City and County of San Francisco.**
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5 WHEREAS, The Bay Area Queer and Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander (QTAPI)
6 Coalition was formed on February 7, 2019, to build community, facilitate intergenerational
7 transfer of knowledge, recognize the QTAPI community's historical context and
8 interdependence, and celebrate their unique cultural heritage and identity; and
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10 WHEREAS, The Bay Area QTAPI Coalition includes organizations and community
11 groups such as Lavender Phoenix (formerly API Equality Northern California (APIENC)),
12 Asian Pacific Islander Queer Women & Transgender Community (APIQWTC), GLBTQ+ Asian
13 Pacific Alliance (GAPA), AAPI Caucus of the Harvey Milk LGBTQ Democratic Club, Parivar
14 Bay Area, Prism Foundation, Red Envelope Giving Circle, API Transmasculine Anthology,
15 API TransFusion, Chinese Cultural Center of San Francisco, Edge on the Square, GLBT
16 Historical Society, Japantown Rainbow Coalition, San Francisco Community Health Center,
17 San Francisco AIDS Foundation, Essence of Mana, North County Outreach, QT Nightlife aka
18 RIZE SF, and members of the Rice Rockettes; and

19 WHEREAS, The Bay Area QTAPI Coalition organized the first QTAPI Week in San
20 Francisco on May 22, 2021, through May 29, 2021, the first in the country and the world,
21 starting on Harvey Milk Day in the Castro during Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI)
22 Heritage Month; and

23 WHEREAS, The Bay Area QTAPI Coalition supported efforts by QTAPI people
24 statewide and nationally to organize their own local QTAPI Weeks to counteract and heal from
25 the discrimination, violence, and disproportional harm by unjust systems; and

1 WHEREAS, Community-based organizations across the QTAPI spectrum have
2 provided support, advocacy, and health and safety services to the Bay Area QTAPI
3 community for over 45 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Newer grassroots organizations formed at the turn of the millennium have
5 continued to respond to ongoing systems of oppression and pandemic crises by supporting
6 and organizing QTAPI people in the Bay Area; and

7 WHEREAS, QTAPI Week is a time when organizers demonstrate the strength and
8 resilience of the Asian American community in the face of continued violence as well as pride
9 in identity as part of the LGBTQ+ community; and

10 WHEREAS, During QTAPI Week, the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition will host the first-ever
11 Chinatown Pride Procession, the first-ever QTAPI Strong: A March for Resilience, Justice &
12 Belonging from City Hall to Trans Thrive, QTAPI Tapestry Closing Block Party in the heart of
13 the Castro in partnership with Castro Art Mart, networking activities, voter engagement and
14 capacity building events, and supportive facilitated conversations that further the work of the
15 QTAPI movement in San Francisco, the San Francisco Bay Area, statewide in California, and
16 beyond; and

17 WHEREAS, The Bay Area QTAPI Coalition continues to grow and respond to the
18 issues facing the QTAPI community; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
20 hereby recognizes May 24, 2025 through June 1, 2025, as Queer and Transgender Asian and
21 Pacific Islander (QTAPI) Week; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
23 Francisco commends the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition for organizing, mobilizing, and inspiring
24 the QTAPI community, and for lifting up the numerous contributions made by the QTAPI
25 community locally, nationally, and globally.