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1	[Recognizing Korean Chuseok Day - September 10, 2022]
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3	Resolution recognizing September 10, 2022, as Korean Chuseok Day and honoring
4	the Korean Center, Inc. for its contributions to the Korean American community in
5	the City and County of San Francisco.
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7	WHEREAS, Korean Chuseok Day, otherwise known as Korean Thanksgiving, is a
8	harvest festival celebrated at the autumn equinox of the Lunar Calendar and is one of the
9	most important and widely celebrated holidays in the Korean culture; and
10	WHEREAS, Korean Americans have contributed immeasurably to the culture and
11	history of this city, state, and country; and
12	WHEREAS, Korean Americans are the fifth largest Asian American ethnic group in the
13	United States, with a population of over 1.8 million and more than 500,000 in California alone;
14	and
15	WHEREAS, In the San Francisco Bay Area, Korean Americans are the sixth largest
16	Asian population with approximately 90,000 residents; and
17	WHEREAS, San Francisco has been a principal port of entry for Korean immigrants since the
18	early 1900s and more recently since the repeal of restrictive immigration quotas in 1965; and
19	WHEREAS, San Francisco has been a center of political activism and cultural
20	importance for Korean Americans since the late 19th century; and
21	WHEREAS, In 1883, Bobingsa, the first Korean diplomatic delegation dispatched
22	to the United States, led by Prince Min Young-lk, had San Francisco as its first destination
23	where the delegation stayed at the Palace Hotel located on 2 New Montgomery Street; and
24	WHEREAS, The Korean National Association was founded in San Francisco,
25	functioning as a de facto government in exile for Koreans rendered stateless in 1910; the

1	Association's newspaper Shinhan Minbo provided knowledge and information to
2	immigrants even after Korea's liberation from Japan in 1945; and
3	WHEREAS, The Taedong Statue, located at Susan Bierman Park on the
4	Embarcadero, was donated in 1983 to the city of San Francisco by the government and
5	people of Korea to commemorate the centennial of diplomatic relations between Korea
6	and the United States and has since been continuously maintained by volunteers from the
7	San Francisco Korean seniors association (Korean American Senior Services, Inc.) for
8	the past 23 years; and
9	WHEREAS, The first Korean church in the United States, the San Francisco
10	Korean United Methodist Church, was built at 1123 Powell Street in 1928; and
11	WHEREAS, The composer, Ahn Eak-tai, went to his first service at this church and
12	was then inspired to compose what would become the Korean national anthem, Aegukga; and
13	WHEREAS, The Korean American community's contributions are immeasurable
14	despite facing serious economic obstacles and social barriers; and
15	WHEREAS, The Korean Center, Inc., a non-profit, has served as a hub for Korean
16	cultural, educational, and social services in the San Francisco Bay Area since 1974; and
17	WHEREAS, Since its founding nearly 50 years ago, the Korean Center, Inc. has
18	helped newly arrived Korean immigrants, Korean families, and Korean seniors realize
19	their full potential, build community, and share Korean culture in San Francisco; and
20	WHEREAS, Expressed the need for the recognition of Korean Chuseok Day to
21	bring attention to the continued needs of the underserved Korean American community
22	as well as the contributions of Korean culture to the diverse landscape and life of San
23	Francisco; now, therefore, be it
24	RESOLVED, the City and County of San Francisco shall recognize September 10,
25	2022, which is the 15th day of the 8th month of the Lunar Calendar as Korean Chuseok

1	Day; and, be it
2	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Annual Bay Area Korean Chuseok Festival held
3	by the Korean Center, Inc. in San Francisco is recognized as the city's official celebration
4	of the cultural day.
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Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp or meeting date I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one): 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment). ✓ 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee. 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee. 4. Request for letter beginning: "Supervisor inquiries" 5. City Attorney Request. 6. Call File No. from Committee. 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion). 8. Substitute Legislation File No. 9. Reactivate File No. 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following: Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission Ethics Commission **Building Inspection Commission** Planning Commission Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form. Sponsor(s): Stefani; Subject: Recognizing Korean Chuseok Day - September 10, 2022 The text is listed: Resolution recognizing September 10, 2022, as Korean Chuseok Day and honoring the Korean Center, Inc. for its contributions to the Korean American community in the City and County of San Francisco

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/Stefani

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