

1 [Recognizing National Surveyors Week and Global Surveyors Day]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the week of March 19, 2023, through March 25, 2023, as**
4 **National Surveyors Week, and March 21, 2023, as Global Surveyors Day in the City and**
5 **County of San Francisco.**

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7 WHEREAS, From the time of the ancient Egyptians to the modern day, Land Surveyors
8 have been the first on the job, and the last to leave, making sure buildings, roads, bridges,
9 indeed, entire cities are located, or constructed, where they are supposed to be, surveying is
10 at the core of anything related to land use; and

11 WHEREAS, National Surveyors Week — the annual week-long celebration of the
12 surveying profession — is traditionally celebrated during the third week of March, and this
13 year National Surveyors Week will be recognized March 19th through 25th, while Tuesday,
14 March 21st is set aside as Global Surveyor’s Day; and

15 WHEREAS, The profession of surveying has been a part of the advancement of
16 civilization since the beginning of recorded history, as it is necessary to plan and build most
17 earth-bound projects; and

18 WHEREAS, Recognizing that land ownership is the basis for most family wealth
19 accumulation, it is the Land Surveyor that combines art and science, with a bit of detective
20 work thrown in to determine property boundaries thus creating harmony and stability of
21 property ownership; and

22 WHEREAS, Professional land surveyors are trained to use an intricate combination of
23 boundary and title law, complex math as well as sophisticated equipment like GPS receivers,
24 computer drafting, data collectors, 3D scanners and total stations; and

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1 WHEREAS, Land surveyors work with engineers, architects, and builders to produce
2 precise surveys and maps of the land’s surface features; and

3 WHEREAS, Only the licensed land surveyor can create the tentative and subdivision
4 maps necessary for the subdivision of lands for residential and commercial development, land
5 surveying is crucial to the vital goal of increased housing and economic growth; and

6 WHEREAS, Large, long-overdue infrastructure maintenance projects, monitoring
7 existing infrastructure, and determination of precise elevations and horizontal locations of a
8 city subject to seismic episodes can only be performed by a professional land surveyor; and

9 WHEREAS, We acknowledge that this city was built and rebuilt by women and men
10 dedicated to the profession of land surveying; and

11 WHEREAS, The County Surveyor, Kate Anderson requested the assistance of the San
12 Francisco chapter of the California Land Surveyor’s Association with equipment from Leica
13 Geosystems to assist with the national program for determining precise horizontal locations of
14 vertical benchmarks located throughout San Francisco, enabling direct transformation to a
15 modernized vertical and horizontal position; and

16 WHEREAS, The establishment of the week of March 19 through March 25, 2023, as
17 National Surveyors Week and the observance of Global Surveyor’s day, this day of March 21,
18 is a fitting tribute to the women and men of the survey profession; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognizes the week of March
20 19, 2023, through March 25, 2023, as National Surveyors Week, and March 21, 2023, as
21 Global Surveyor’s Day in the City and County of San Francisco.