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1	[Filicide Awareness Week - April 9 through April 15, 2023]
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3	Resolution declaring the week of April 9 through April 15, 2023, to be Filicide
4	Awareness Week in the City and County of San Francisco and supporting
5	"Pierce's Pledge."
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7	WHEREAS, The month of April has been recognized as National Child Abuse
8	Prevention Month since 1983; and
9	WHEREAS, Children are often targets of neglect, mental, physical, and sexual
10	abuse that occurs mainly within their household and, tragically, sometimes leads to
11	filicide; and
12	WHEREAS, Approximately 500 filicide cases occur in the United States annually;
13	and
14	WHEREAS, On average, one child a week is murdered by a parent or stepparent
15	during divorce, separation, child support, visitation, or custody negotiations; and
16	WHEREAS, On January 13, 2021, Pierce Howard Hu was killed by his father
17	while he slept in a murder-suicide; and
18	WHEREAS, Pierce is survived by his uncles Scott and Michael; his grandparents
19	Howard and Therese, and his mother, Lesley; and
20	WHEREAS, Pierce's murder has shattered the hearts of his mother, family,
21	friends, and community; and
22	WHEREAS, Community-wide efforts are essential to preventing and
23	safeguarding our children by providing loving and nurturing relationships in which they
24	can thrive; and
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1	WHEREAS, Family law attorneys have the power to contribute their efforts to
2	protect minor children; and
3	WHEREAS, Pierce's Pledge is a non-profit organization whose mission is to keep
4	children safe during the stressful and emotionally volatile time of custody disputes; and
5	WHEREAS, Pierce's Pledge is dedicated to supporting the families of filicide
6	victims in the aftermath, honoring the lives of victims, engaging our community in
7	dialogue for exposing abuse, collaborating with other service providers for expanding
8	resources and the availability to said resources; and
9	WHEREAS, Pierce's Pledge empowers family law attorneys to contribute their
10	efforts to protect and keep minor children safe during custody negotiations; and
11	WHEREAS, Requiring clients to disclose and temporarily remove weapons in a
12	third-party location during the time of representation reduces the potential for violence,
13	domestic abuse, violent threats, uneven power struggles, and murder; now, therefore,
14	be it
15	RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby declares April
16	9 through April 15, 2023, to be Filicide Awareness Week to encourage all residents to
17	raise awareness of filicide, become familiar with the warning signs and support the
18	efforts within the community to assist in the prevention of another child's death due to
19	child abuse at the hand of a parent or caregiver; and, be it
20	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby
21	commends and supports the efforts of Pierce's Pledge; and, be it
22	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby
23	urges all family law attorneys to take the pledge in keeping children as safe as possible
24	during family law legal proceedings, to require clients to declare firearms in their

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1	possession and to store firearms out of the home in secure locations with a licensed
2	third-party during representation, and to not represent any client who refuses to do so
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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: Filicide Awareness Week – April 9 through April 15, 2023 The text is listed: Resolution declaring the week of April 9 through April 15, 2023, to be Filicide Awareness Week in the City and County of San Francisco and supporting "Pierce's Pledge."

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/Catherine Stefani

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