

1 [Asian American and Pacific Islander Against Bullying and Hate Day - May 18, 2023]

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3 **Resolution declaring May 18, 2023, as Asian American and Pacific Islander Against**
4 **Bullying and Hate Day in the City and County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, May 18 is the birthday of Vincent Chin, whose brutal murder in Detroit in
7 1982 sparked a national Asian American activist movement that continues to this day; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2019, in recognition of Vincent Chin’s birthday and Asian Pacific American
9 Heritage Month, Act to Change spearheaded the first National Asian American and Pacific
10 Islander (AAPI) Day Against Bullying and Hate as part of its mission to end bullying among AAPI
11 youth; and

12 WHEREAS, We have seen a staggering rise in bullying, discrimination, and hate
13 crimes against the AAPI community since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

14 WHEREAS, One in five students reports being bullied during the school year and 80% of
15 Asian American youth report being bullied, online or in school; and

16 WHEREAS, Certain AAPI populations, including South Asian, Muslim, Sikh, Micronesian,
17 LGBTQ, immigrant, and limited English proficient youth are more likely to be the targets of
18 bullying; and

19 WHEREAS, Between March 19, 2020, and March 31, 2022, two out of three of nearly
20 11,500 incidents involved harassment, such as verbal or written hate speech or inappropriate
21 gestures; and

22 WHEREAS, May is also Mental Health Awareness Month, and the AAPI community has
23 the lowest rate of any racial or ethnic group seeking help, often due to lack of awareness, or
24 linguistic and cultural barriers; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
2 declare May 18, 2023, as Asian American and Pacific Islander Against Bullying and Hate Day
3 in the City and County of San Francisco.

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