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RESOLUTION NO.

1	[Recognizing Queer and Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander Week]
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3	Resolution recognizing the week of May 28 through June 3, 2023, as Queer and
4	Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander Week in the City and County of San Francisco.
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6	WHEREAS, The Bay Area Queer and Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander (QTAPI)
7	Coalition was formed in February 7, 2019 to build community, facilitate intergenerational
8	transfer of knowledge, recognize the QTAPI community's historical context and
9	interdependence, and celebrate their unique cultural heritage and identity; and
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), Parivar Bay Area, Prism Foundation, Red Envelope Giving Circle,
14	API Transmasculine Anthology, GLBT Historical Society, San Francisco Community Health
15	Center, San Francisco AIDS Foundation, Essence of Mana, North County Outreach, RIZE SF,
16	and members of the Rice Rockettes; and
17	WHEREAS, The Bay Area QTAPI Coalition organized the first QTAPI Week in San
18	Francisco on May 22 through May 29, 2021, the first in the country and the world, starting on
19	Harvey Milk Day in the Castro during Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage
20	Month; and
21	WHEREAS, QTAPI people continue to experience discrimination and violence and
22	have been disproportionately harmed by unjust systems; and
23	WHEREAS, Community-based organizations across the QTAPI spectrum have
24	provided support, advocacy, and health and safety services to the Bay Area QTAPI
25	community for over 45 years; and

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

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

WHEREAS, During QTAPI Week, the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition will host networking
activities, capacity building events, and supportive facilitated conversations that further the
work of the QTAPI movement in San Francisco, the San Francisco Bay Area, statewide in
California, and beyond; and

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

13 RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors, City and County of San Francisco, State of 14 California does hereby proclaim May 28 through June 3, 2023, as Queer and Transgender 15 Asian and Pacific Islander (QTAPI) Week and commends the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition for 16 organizing, mobilizing, and inspiring our QTAPI community, and for uplifting the numerous 17 contributions made by the QTAPI community locally, nationally, and globally.

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