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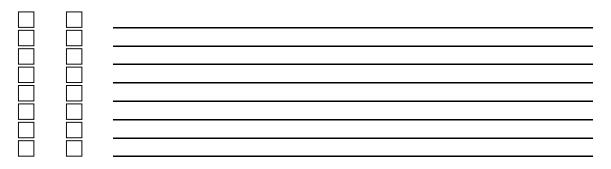
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RESOLUTION NO.

| 1 | [Urging Contributions to Ameliorate the Effects of Slavery] |
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| 3 | Resolution urging city contractors that have participated and/or profited from slave |
| 4 | trades to make voluntary contributions to ameliorate the legacy of slavery. |
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| 6 | WHEREAS, Many San Francisco residents are descendants of people subjected to |
| 7 | slavery, and the impacts of slavery in the United States continues to have a harmful impact on |
| 8 | the experiences and outcomes of Black and African American people in San Francisco; and |
| 9 | WHEREAS, People forced into slavery were dehumanized, snatched from their |
| 10 | families, and coerced into performing labor without appropriate compensation or benefits, and |
| 11 | were defined and insured as private property, and used as collateral for insurance policies, |
| 12 | loans and other transactions; and |
| 13 | WHEREAS, In 2006, the Board of Supervisors passed Ordinance No. 275-06, Slavery |
| 14 | Era Disclosure, requiring city contractors providing insurance and insurance services, financial |
| 15 | services, or textiles to the City to disclose any participation in the slave trade; and |
| 16 | WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 275-06 also created an account for contractors subject to |
| 17 | the Ordinance to make voluntary contributions, and requiring that monies donated to this |
| 18 | account be used to fund economic development and educational initiatives designed to |
| 19 | ameliorate the effects of slavery upon the residents of San Francisco; and |
| 20 | WHEREAS, Insurance policies from the American slavery era documented insurance |
| 21 | coverage to slaveholders for damage to or death of people subjected to slavery, and financial |
| 22 | services firms bought or sold people subjected to slavery, provided loans to purchase people |
| 23 | subjected to slavery, and profited from the trade of people subjected to slavery; and |
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WHEREAS, In filing an affidavit in compliance with this Ordinance, U.S. Bank has
 identified relevant records that its predecessor companies participated in and benefited from
 the slave trade; and

WHEREAS, In February of 2015, the Office of the City Administrator sent letters
requesting voluntary contributions from all City vendors covered by Ordinance No. 275-06,
and no responses were received; and

WHEREAS, In August 2020, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed
Resolution No. 376-20 supporting a reparations plan that will comprehensively address the
inequities that exist in the African American community as a result of slavery's legacy of
systemic oppression and creation of an advisory committee for the African American
community; and

WHEREAS, In December 2020, Ordinance No. 259-20 officially established the African American Reparations Advisory Committee (AARAC) to advise the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, the Human Rights Commission, and the public regarding the development, adoption, and implementation of a San Francisco Reparations Plan that determines the scope and eligibility for a citywide reparations program, examines current structural discrimination within San Francisco, and proposes institutional reforms to guard against the need for future redress; and

WHEREAS, The AARAC began convening in June 2021, and released the first draft of
 the San Francisco Reparations Plan in December 2022; this first draft was heard at the
 Committee of the Whole on March 14, 2023, at the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; and
 WHEREAS, On June 30, 2023, the AARAC released the final San Francisco
 Reparations Plan 2023, prepared by the Human Rights Commission and a digital copy was
 sent to the Board of Supervisors; the Board of Supervisors will hear the final report at the

Committee of the Whole scheduled for the September 19, 2023, Board of Supervisors
 meeting; and

WHEREAS, Requesting voluntary contributions from all City vendors covered by Ordinance No. 275-06, that have or have had their predecessor firms profited or participated in slavery, directly supports San Francisco's reparations efforts on the long historical impacts of slavery; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges city contractors that have participated and/or profited from slave trades to make voluntary contributions to ameliorate the effects of slavery as part of San Francisco's reparations efforts.

Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one): \square 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment) \square 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference) (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only) \square 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor 4. inquires..." 5. City Attorney Request Call File No. \square 6. from Committee. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion) 7. Substitute Legislation File No. \square 8. Reactivate File No. 9. \square Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on 10. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes): □ Small Business Commission □ Ethics Commission □ Youth Commission □ Building Inspection Commission □ Human Resources Department □ Planning Commission General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53): \Box Yes \square No (Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.) Sponsor(s): Subject: Long Title or text listed: