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## MEMORANDUM

Date: November 9, 2023

To: Tom Paulino, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors, Mayor's Office

From: Mangela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors

Subject: Prioritizing and Protecting Impacted Communities during APEC Summit (File No. 231086)

On October 24, 2023, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 513-23, sponsored by Supervisor Connie Chan (File No. 231086, Prioritizing and Protecting Impacted Communities during APEC Summit); and enacted on November 3, 2023.

Please find the attached courtesy copy of the Resolution for your office's information and consideration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184.

 Members of the Board of Supervisors; Supervisors Connie Chan, Hillary Ronen, Dean Preston, Matt Dorsey, Shamann Walton, Ahsha Safai, Myrna Melgar Andres Power, Mayor's Policy Director Susanna Conine-Nakano, Mayor's Office FILE NO. 231086

## **RESOLUTION NO. 513-23**

[Prioritizing and Protecting Impacted Communities during APEC Summit]

Resolution urging the Mayor and City agencies to inform residents and vulnerable communities of security, transportation, and service impacts from Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) activities; to prioritize City funding towards mitigation of impacts on neighborhoods, small businesses, and vulnerable communities; and to protect people's rights to freedom of speech and uphold City Sanctuary policies.

WHEREAS, The United States will be hosting the 2023 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Leaders' Meeting in San Francisco from November 11 through 17, 2023, at the Moscone Center; and

WHEREAS, APEC is a multilateral forum for promoting and negotiating corporatecentered trade deals among 21 member economies in the Asia Pacific Region including the United States, Mexico, and China and will bring together global industry giants, their corporate lobbyists, and billionaires, but will not include representatives of vulnerable and impacted sectors like women and workers of the Global South, nor indigenous, environmental, and human rights advocates; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco's history and legacy is deeply grounded in its role as host city, starting in 1945 with the signing of the United Nations Charter as a binding international treaty that was the basis for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which was adopted in December 1948 and whose 75th Anniversary will be observed in December 2023; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco also has a deep history of labor organizing and international labor solidarity against free trade agreements that diminish labor rights and environmental protections, cause widespread food and economic insecurity, privatize and outsource public resources, and weaken human right protections; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor's Office has committed to raising \$20 million to fund activities and services relating to hosting duties and requested that the Board of Supervisors waive Behested Payment restrictions in order to allow the Office of the Mayor, Office of Economic and Workforce Development, and Chief of Protocol to solicit donations from private entities and organizations to offset costs, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 231086, which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor's Office reserved \$10 million in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget in the event they did not meet this fundraising goal and the Board of Supervisors further placed this amount on Budget and Appropriations Committee reserve; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor's Office of Protocol recently announced that they surpassed their fundraising goal by receiving significant donations from private real estate, medical, finance, and technology corporations such as Pacific Gas & Electric, Airbnb, DoorDash; \$1 million each from Kaiser Permanente, MEBO International, Prologis, Salesforce, Sutter Health, Visa; \$2 million from Ripple, a cryptocurrency company; and \$4.65 million from Graton Resort and Casino; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Homeland Security has designated the APEC event a "National Special Security Event," and claims that San Francisco could be a potential target for a terrorist attack, and this is the first of such designations in Northern California where Secret Service will implement heightened security precautions including involvement of the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), and deployment of National Guard personnel, surveillance, and sharpshooters; and

WHEREAS, The security plans for APEC call for street closures and public transportation disruptions where and when the heads of states will travel; the establishment of an "exclusion zone" or perimeter which will limit vehicular and pedestrian mobility in the South

of Market neighborhood of the City where Moscone Center is located; and that background checks and security clearances will be required of workers, residents, and service providers who need to travel through the security perimeter; and

WHEREAS, City activities related to APEC thus far have prioritized advertising and promoting APEC, plans and events to host dignitaries, and expediting infrastructure and beautification projects to serve APEC visitors, however, there has been very little information shared with impacted communities on how their daily lives and movement may be impacted by security perimeters, disruptions to traffic, public transportation access, pedestrian flow, and access to social services and public institutions; and

WHEREAS, There are many vulnerable residents including immigrants and the unhoused, and facilities such as senior housing, small businesses, child care centers, schools, and community serving organizations within the South of Market area and surrounding neighborhoods which will be impacted by the exclusion zone and traffic disruptions; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses have been struggling to survive through and recover from the pandemic and those within and around the Moscone area are concerned about the impact to their businesses, including loss of income, background check requirements on workers and suppliers, and safety for customers and workers; and

WHEREAS, Seniors in the vicinity rely on paratransit, medical treatment, access to senior centers and food delivery, and family and friends and caretakers on a daily basis are concerned about how they will have access to critical care and be impacted the week of APEC; and

WHEREAS, Immigrants and families that live and work in the area are concerned about the presence of Homeland Security, surveillance, militarized checkpoints and

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restrictions, and whether San Francisco's Sanctuary policies will be upheld during the week of APEC; and

WHEREAS, The current economic crisis has also left many unhoused residents vulnerable on the streets who will face increased sweeps and inhumane treatment including confiscation of their belongings and medication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor's Office and pertinent agencies to provide linguistically appropriate, real-time information, and outreach to residents and all public and community-serving institutions in the South of Market area on disruptions that will take place during the week of APEC; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor to prioritize the \$10 million currently on reserve for residents and neighborhoods including community based organizations, schools, small businesses, and workers to address and mitigate the local impacts and disruptions that will be caused by the APEC related activities including loss mitigation for small businesses and workers, safe passage for vulnerable populations such as immigrants, seniors and children instead of police overtime and subsidizing exclusive events and activities related to APEC; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors upholds our Sanctuary City laws and the publics' right to protest and urges city departments, state, and federal authorities to protect the rights of the people of San Francisco leading up to and during APEC summit activities, including the free exercise of their rights to freedom of expression, association, and peaceful dissent and protest, and to be free of oppressive policing, surveillance, intimidation, and harassment related to their exercise of these rights.



## City and County of San Francisco Tails Resolution

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October 24, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

File No. 231086

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/24/2023 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor 11/03/2023

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo

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11/03/2023

Date